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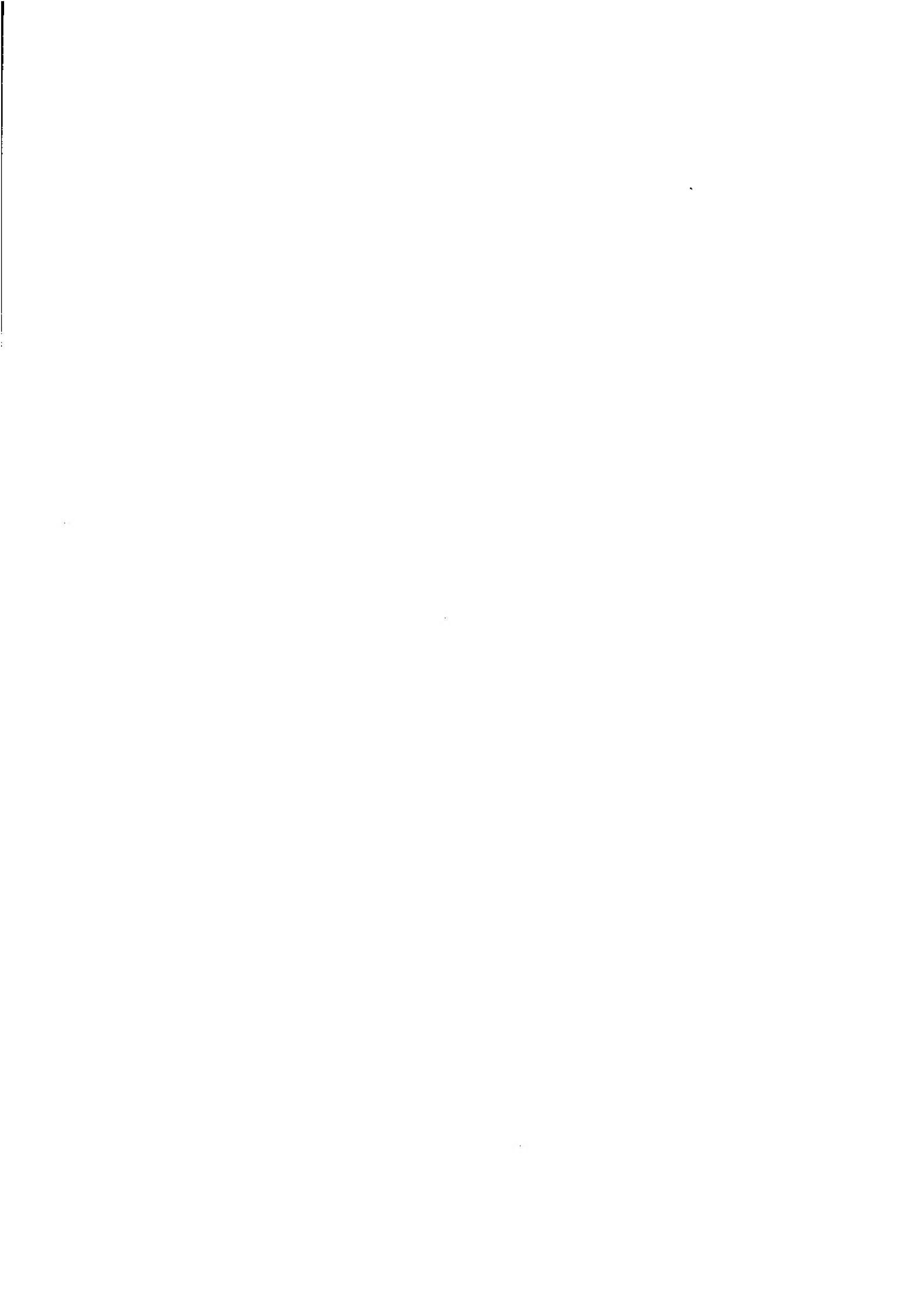


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## PREFACE

*South Australian Economic Indicators* is a monthly publication which contains the latest available data at the time of preparation for a range of statistical series that have been identified as indicators of economic activity in this State.

Written and graphic commentary have been included for many of the selected series and analysis has been augmented with the calculation of the percentage change from the previous reference period together with the presentation of comparative Australian data. Time series information has been included to provide a historical perspective on many of the selected indicators. This issue has been expanded to provide industry of origin data on South Australian produced exports. Future issues may be expanded to include further historical data in response to expressed user needs. This product is under continuous review and any suggestions for enhancement will be welcomed.

More detailed information on each series (including explanatory and technical notes) can be obtained from other Australian Bureau of Statistics publications or alternative data sources. To assist those seeking further information a source publication for each of the series has been documented in the statistical summary.

This issue includes a special article entitled *Australian Business Expectations*. Future issues will contain further articles on statistical topics which concentrate on longer term trends or other issues pertinent to the South Australian economy.

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# REVIEW

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## Overview

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- Growth in Gross State Product for the December quarter 1993 was 1.0% while Gross Domestic Product for Australia rose 1.3%. State Final Demand increased by 0.6% for the third consecutive quarter.
- Retail turnover in South Australia has shown consistent growth of about 0.7% per month over the last ten months.
- In March 1994 the trend series for new motor vehicle registrations in South Australia continued the upward movement which has been evident over the last five months.
- The underlying trend estimate for employed persons in South Australia fell slightly in March 1994, continuing the downward movement evident since August 1993, while the trend unemployment rate remained flat.
- There were no working days lost through industrial disputes in South Australia from November 1993 to January 1994.
- Over the twelve months to February 1994, the weekly award rates of pay index for full-time adult employees in South Australia rose by 1.3%.
- The provisional trend estimate for the total number of dwelling units approved in February 1994 continued the downward movement evident since January 1993.
- The total value of housing finance commitments for owner occupied dwellings in South Australia for February 1994 at 31.0% above the January figure was the highest value ever recorded.
- The estimated resident population of South Australia increased by 0.15% during the September quarter 1993.

## State Accounts

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### *Gross State Product*

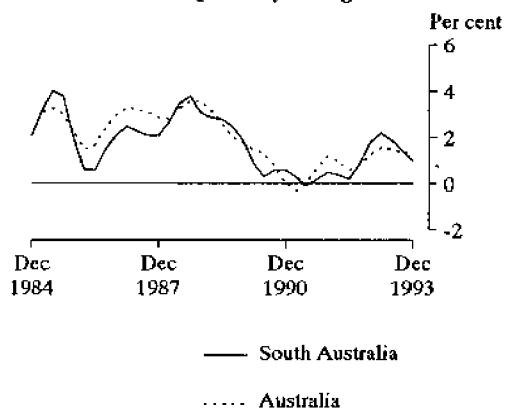
Growth in Gross State Product (GSP) (trend estimates expressed in current prices) continued to slow from the relatively strong growth experienced over most of 1992-93. In the December quarter 1993 growth in GSP was 1.0% while Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for Australia rose 1.3% for the corresponding period.

Growth over the year to December quarter 1993 was 6.7%, the third highest of all States (Western Australia and the Australian Capital Territory growth rates were 9.6% and 6.8% respectively). Australia (GDP) rose 5.9% over the same period.

Growth in wages, salaries and supplements slowed in the December quarter, but has remained stronger than for Australia in each of the last five quarters.

Growth in gross operating surplus remained flat (0.9%) in the December quarter 1993, following stronger growth in each quarter of 1992-93.

**GROSS STATE PRODUCT - TREND**  
Quarterly Change

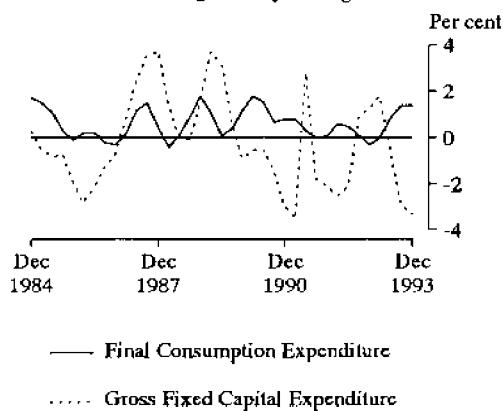


### *State Final Demand*

State Final Demand (trend estimates expressed in 1989-90 prices) increased by 0.6% for the third consecutive quarter. Overall growth has been held down by the lack of investment expenditure in both the private and public sectors, with private capital expenditure declining 2.3% and public sector capital declining 6.6%. The sale of the South Australian Gas Company had a major influence on the low investment outcome for the public sector in the December quarter 1993.

Government final consumption expenditure grew 2.4% in the December quarter 1993. Growth in private final consumption expenditure was also relatively strong, increasing by 1.1%.

**STATE FINAL DEMAND - TREND**  
Quarterly Change



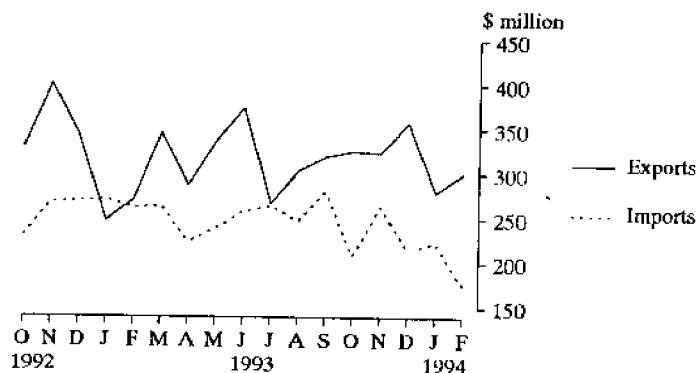
## **International Accounts**

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### *Exports*

Overseas exports of South Australian produced commodities during the three months to February 1994 were valued at \$937.3 million which was 9.1% lower than the level for the same period twelve months previously. In the latest three-month period cereals and cereal preparations constituted 15.3%; metals and metal manufactures, 11.6%; road vehicles, parts and accessories, 8.4%; wool and sheepskins, 8.8%; and meat and meat preparations, 8.3% of total exports.

Exports to ASEAN countries accounted for 18.5% of the total during the period, followed by Japan (14.3%) and the United States of America (11.0%).



### Imports

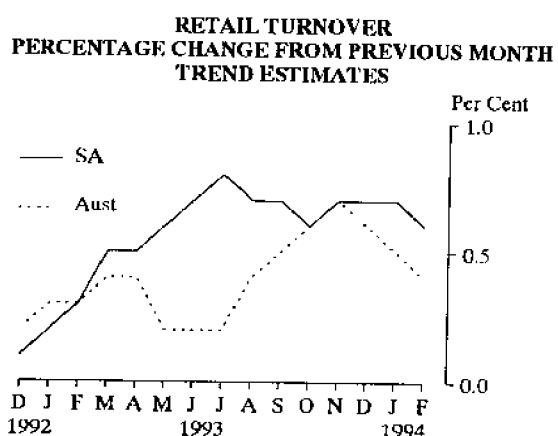
Overseas imports into South Australia during the three months to February 1994 (compiled from import documents lodged in South Australia) were valued at \$612.4 million, 23.7% below the level for the same period twelve months previously. In the latest three-month period machinery constituted 21.4%; road vehicles, parts and accessories 19.6%; and petroleum and petroleum products, 16.9% of total imports.

## Consumption and Investment

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### Retail Turnover

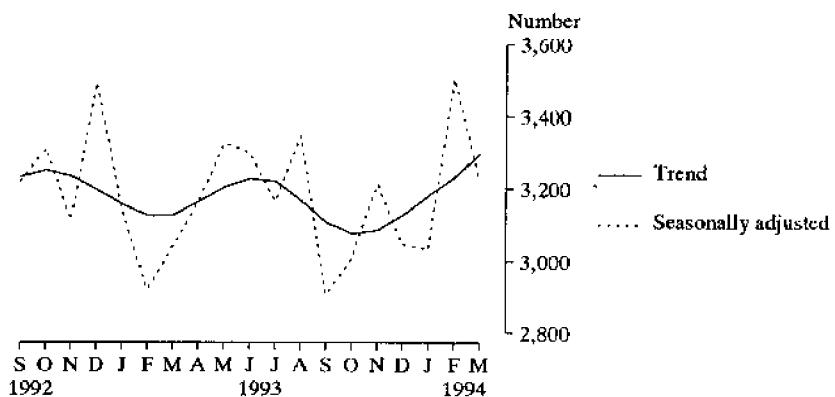
Trend estimates indicate that retail sales for South Australia have shown a growth of 0.6% in February 1994 compared with the Australian rate of 0.4%. At around 0.7% per month retail turnover in South Australia has shown consistent growth over the last ten months. During this period the following industries have experienced growth in sales: grocers, confectioners, tobacconists; other food stores; hotels, liquor stores, licensed clubs; footwear; and electrical stores while sales have been declining in butchers and furniture stores. The retail turnover estimate in original terms for South Australia was \$581.7 million for February, a decrease of 5.1% from the January level of \$612.7 million.



### New Motor Vehicle Registrations

In South Australia there were 3,645 new motor vehicles registered in March 1994, 14.4% higher than in February 1994 and 6.6% higher than March 1993. For new passenger vehicles only, the leading makes registered were Holden (671 vehicles), Toyota (571), Mitsubishi (565), Ford (561) and Nissan (129). Although the seasonally adjusted estimate for March 1994 was 8.2% lower than February 1994 the trend series continued the upward movement which has been evident over the last five months.

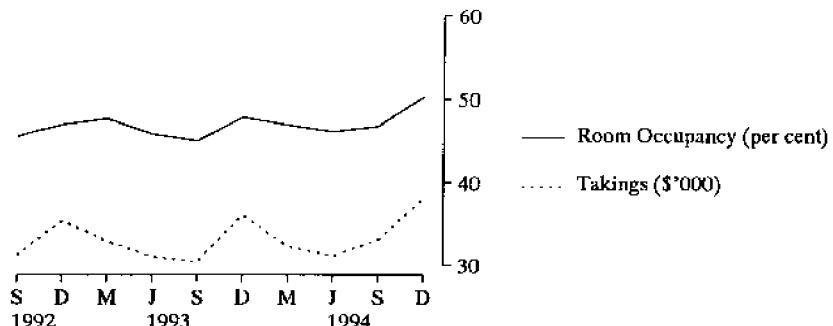
### NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS



### *Tourist Accommodation*

When the December quarter 1993 is compared with the December quarter 1992, the number of holiday flats, units and houses available for short-term letting increased by 4.1% to 1,377. Unit nights occupied increased by 8.0% from 48,675 to 52,563. The unit occupancy rate consequently rose from 40.0% to 41.6%. Accommodation takings increased by 13.3% from \$2.9m to \$3.3m while average takings per unit night occupied rose 4.9% from \$60 to \$63.

### NUMBER OF GUEST ROOMS AND TAKINGS: HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST HOUSES, SOUTH AUSTRALIA



### *Private New Capital Expenditure*

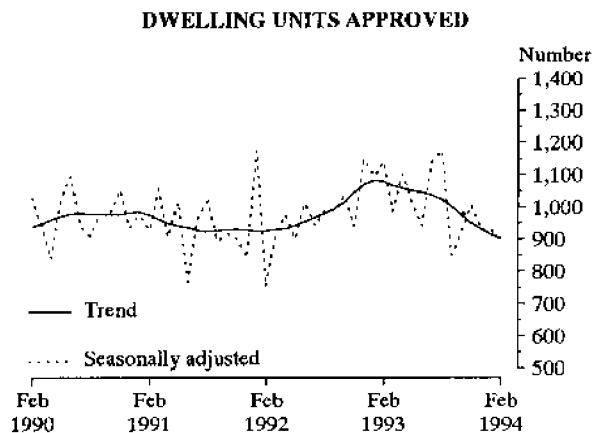
Private new capital expenditure in South Australia for the December quarter 1993 was \$329 million, a decrease of 3.4% from the previous quarter. New buildings and structures accounted for \$70 million while equipment, plant and machinery amounted to \$259 million. In the December quarter 1993 survey businesses provided expectations of new capital expenditure for the six months to June 1994. By adding the estimate to actual expenditure incurred in the September and December quarters of 1993, estimates for the 1993-94 financial year have been compiled. These estimates provide a good indication of the likely outcome for the year. The expected new capital expenditure for 1993-94 is \$1,529 million, compared with actual expenditure in 1992-93 of \$1,513 million.

## **Production**

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### *Dwelling Approvals*

The series of trend estimates for dwelling units approved in South Australia has declined since January 1993. The February 1994 estimate of 905 follows a revised figure of 913 for the previous month and is down from the January 1993 peak of 1,083. This is in contrast to the movement in the Australian trend figure which has had sustained growth since June 1993 (14,570) and is now at 15,506 dwellings. There would need to be an increase of about 1% in the seasonally adjusted total number of dwellings approved in March 1994 for the national trend to continue to show growth.



#### *Dwelling Commencements*

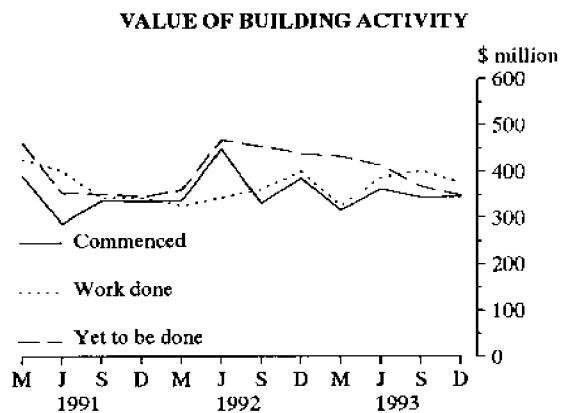
From the Building Activity Survey for the December quarter 1993 it is estimated that 2,793 dwellings were commenced in the three months ended December 1993. This was a relatively low number compared to previous quarterly estimates throughout 1993. The Australian level also declined in the December quarter albeit by a smaller amount of 3.2% and the South Australian contribution to dwelling commencements was 6.3% in the December quarter.

#### *Value of Non-residential Building Approvals*

In February 1994 there was \$40.0 million of non-residential building approved in South Australia. This level was exceeded only twice throughout 1993 and was attained because of the presence of large jobs (greater than \$2 million each) in the educational and office categories. South Australian approvals accounted for 5.1% of the national non-residential building sector.

#### *Value of Total Building Activity*

The total value of building work commenced (at current prices) during the December quarter 1993 was \$345.5 million. Of this \$205.3 million was for new residential building, resulting in 2,793 dwelling units. The total value of work done (at current prices) during the December quarter was \$376.5 million while the value of work yet to be done on jobs under construction at the end of the quarter was \$349.2 million.



#### *Value of Engineering Construction*

The December 1993 quarter estimate for the value of engineering work done in South Australia was \$184.3 million, an increase of 10.4% on the (revised) September estimate. The Australian estimate was also greater than in the previous quarter, up \$137.5 million (or 4.8%), resulting in the proportion of engineering work done in South Australia increasing marginally to 6.1% of the national total.

**VALUE OF ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION  
WORK DONE**



## Prices

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### *Consumer Price Index*

In the December quarter 1993 the all groups Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Adelaide rose 0.1%, resulting in an annual increase of 1.9%. Nationally prices rose 0.2% for the quarter and 1.9% on an annual basis. Australia's Consumer Price Index compares favourably with many of its international trading partners. For the all groups excluding housing for the year ended December quarter 1993, the annual percentage change for Australia was 2.4%, compared with USA 2.5%, Japan 0.8%, UK 2.9%, Hong Kong 8.2%, Korea 5.5%, Taiwan 2.3% and New Zealand 0.7%.

### *House Building Materials*

Prices of house building materials in Adelaide increased by 1.1% over the three months to February 1994, compared with a rise of 0.7% nationally. On an annual basis, Adelaide prices rose 10.9% compared with 4.9% nationally.

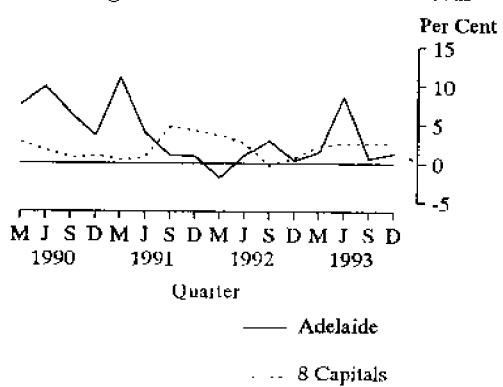
### *Non-house Building Materials*

Over the three months ended February 1994 prices of materials used in building other than house building rose by 0.8% in Adelaide, compared with 0.2% for the weighted average of the six state capital cities. In Adelaide the item with the greatest price movement over the three months was ready-mixed concrete, for which prices rose 7.6%.

### *House Prices*

In the December quarter 1993 prices of established houses fell 0.6%, while nationally prices rose 0.9% in the quarter. The opposite movement occurred with project homes, with prices rising 1.2% in Adelaide for the quarter, while nationally prices fell 0.1%. For the year ended December established house prices in Adelaide rose 1.3% which was the lowest of all capital cities, while prices of project homes rose 5.5% which was the highest of all capital cities.

**ESTABLISHED HOUSE PRICES**  
Change from Same Period of Previous Year



## Labour Force and Demography

### Population

The estimated resident population of South Australia increased by 2,155 persons during the September quarter 1993 to 1,463,876. South Australia experienced a natural increase of 1,981 persons, a gain partially offset by a net interstate migration outflow of 735 persons.

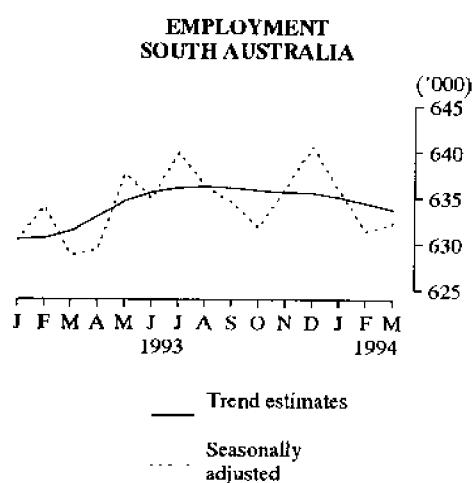
The net gain from overseas migration of 907 persons in the September quarter was 869 higher than in the previous quarter.

During 1992-93 the growth rate for South Australia was 0.4% compared with 1.0% for Australia. Victoria had the lowest rate of population growth at 0.3%.

### Employment

The underlying trend estimate for employed persons in South Australia fell slightly to 633,700 in March 1994.

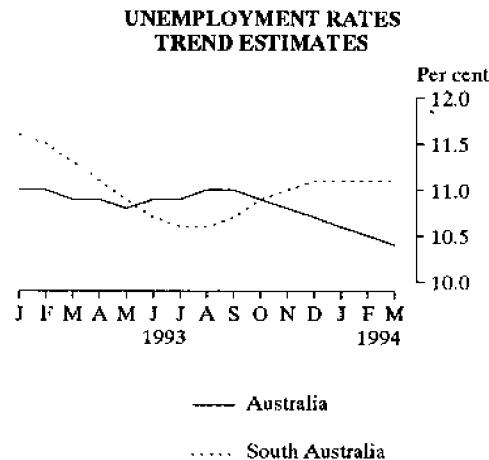
The underlying trend estimate of employed persons in Australia has been increasing since January 1993 and currently stands at 7,830,700. The full-time employment estimate has been increasing since October 1992.



### Unemployment

The trend unemployment rate for South Australia has remained at 11.1% from December 1993 to March 1994. The trend unemployment rates for males and females were 11.8% and 10.1% respectively in March 1994.

The trend estimate of the unemployment rate for Australia has been falling since September 1993 and stood at 10.4% in March 1994.

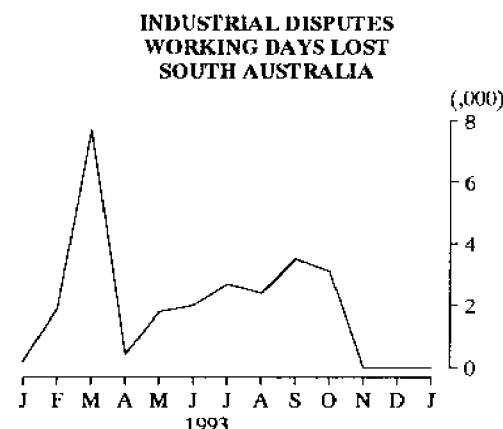


#### *Overtime*

The percentage of employees who worked overtime in South Australia in February 1994 was 16.8% compared with 17.0% in February 1993.

#### *Industrial Disputes*

There were no working days lost through industrial disputes in South Australia from November 1993 to January 1994. In the twelve month period to January 1994 25,300 days working days were lost. At only 4.0% of the national total South Australia has had a relatively low level of industrial disputation over this period.



#### *Short-term Overseas Visitors Arrivals*

Total short-term visitor arrivals to Australia in November 1993 numbered 284,788. This was 6.6% higher than the previous month and was 11.7% higher than in November 1992. The trend estimate increased by 0.3% from October 1993.

Short-term visitor arrivals to South Australia in November 1993 rose by 36.5% from October 1993, to a total of 7,581. This figure was 26.0% higher than in November 1992.

The State or Territory of stay of overseas visitors is determined from the intended address reported on arrival in Australian ports and airports. A short-term visit is any intended length of stay less than 12 months.

***Short-term Resident Departures***

Short-term departures of South Australian residents decreased to 7,174 in November 1993 which was 12.2% less than in October 1993 and 16.8% less than in the previous November.

Departures of Australian residents in November 1993 fell to 170,534, a decrease of 3.6% from October 1993 and 2.3% lower than the November 1992 figure. The trend estimate increased 0.2% between October and November 1993.

**Incomes*****Average Weekly Earnings***

Average weekly ordinary time earnings of full-time adult employees in South Australia decreased slightly to \$599.40 in November 1993, down from \$603.30 in August 1993. Male ordinary time earnings decreased to \$626.50, compared with \$631.00 for the previous quarter. Female earnings decreased slightly to \$543.20.

The average weekly total earnings for all employees was \$492.50 in November 1993, down slightly from \$503.10 in August 1993.

Since it is an average of earnings across all employees, changes in average weekly earnings may occur through changes in employment as well as changes in pay levels.

***Award Rates of Pay***

Over the twelve months to February 1994, the weekly award rates of pay index for full-time adult employees in South Australia rose by 1.3%. The index for females was the highest of the States after Queensland.

The largest annual movement of the index for full-time adult males has occurred in the wholesale and retail trade industry with a 3.0% increase since February 1993. For adult females employed full-time, the wholesale and retail trade was also the highest, showing a 3.1% rise between February 1993 and 1994.

**Financial Markets*****Housing Finance***

The total value of housing finance commitments for owner occupied dwellings for February 1994 was \$322.2 million. This was an increase of \$76.3 million (31.0%) from January 1994 and was the highest value ever recorded. The previous highest was \$306.7 million in December 1993.

This increase in housing finance commitments was evident across the board with financing for construction, the purchase of newly erected and established dwellings increasing \$9.2 million (27.1%), \$6.9 million (36.9%) and \$51.2 million (33.0%) respectively.

***Personal Finance***

In January 1994 personal finance commitments totalled \$151.9 million. This was \$9.3 million (5.7%) less than the value of \$161.0 million recorded for the December 1993 period.

This decrease was due, almost entirely, to a reduction in personal finance commitments under fixed loan facilities of \$9.8 million (9.0%). The most significant decreases occurred in the categories of refinancing (down 29.5%); travel and holidays (down 21.7%); and debt consolidation (down 20.9%).

In contrast, personal finance commitments under revolving credit facilities increased slightly to \$52.4 million in January 1994 compared to \$51.9 million in December 1993.

*Commercial Finance*

Total commercial finance commitments fell \$48.6 million (12.4%) to \$343.9 million in January 1994.

Commercial finance commitments under fixed loan facilities totalled \$167.8 million, 26.7% less than that recorded for December 1993. Notable decreases were recorded in wholesale trade (down \$10.2 million) and property and business services (down \$10.1 million).

Commercial finance commitments under revolving credit facilities, however, increased slightly (7.5%) to \$176.1 million in January 1994. This increase was mainly due to an increase in finance commitments of \$36.1 million in the manufacturing industry.

**COMMERCIAL FINANCE COMMITMENTS  
SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

*Lease Finance*

In January 1994 the value of lease finance commitments was \$12.0 million, a decrease of \$5.2 million (30.2%) from December 1993.

This decrease occurred, predominantly, in the category of total motor vehicles (down \$2.3 million), in particular new motor cars and station wagons; and new heavy trucks (both down \$0.8 million).

Other categories that showed significant decreases were other (down \$1.9 million); electronic data processing equipment (down \$0.9 million); and shop and office furniture, fittings and equipment (down \$0.8 million).

# STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Indicator		SOUTH AUSTRALIA				AUSTRALIA				SA as a % of Australia	Source index		
		Reference period	No.	% change		Over pre- ceding period	Over same period	Over pre- ceding period	Over same period				
				Over preceding year	previous year								
<b>State Accounts</b>													
Gross domestic product (l)	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	8,613	11.9	7.7	102,157	1.9	4.1	8.4	1			
Wages, salaries and supplements	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	4,305	5.1	7.4	51,054	-1.4	1.0	8.4	1			
Private final consumption expenditure													
Current prices	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	5,358	7.1	5.1	63,946	2.7	3.9	8.4	1			
1989-90 prices	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	4,754	6.5	3.2	57,974	2.2	2.1	8.2	1			
Private gross fixed capital expenditure	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	1,025	5.2	-4.5	14,700	1.9	8.3	7.0	1			
<b>International Accounts</b>													
Exports (excluding re-exports)	\$m	Feb. 94	300.4	7.5	11.1	4,546	0.3	2.0	6.6	2			
Imports	\$m	Feb. 94	175.6	-21.0	-33.1	4,408	-9.4	-19.5	4.0	3			
<b>Consumption and Investment</b>													
Retail turnover													
Current prices original	\$m	Feb. 94	581.7	-5.1	10.3	7,488.9	-6.6	5.4	7.8	4			
Current prices trend	\$m	Feb. 94	655.8	0.6	8.1	8,474.6	0.4	5.2	7.7	4			
1989-90 prices original	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	1,918.0	18.7	4.1	25,419.5	18.8	2.6	7.5	4			
New motor vehicle registrations													
Original	No.	Mar. 94	3,645	14.4	6.6	52,687	14.7	2.1	6.9	5			
Trend	No.	Mar. 94	3,296	2.0	5.4	48,713	1.2	8.4	6.8	5			
Takings, licensed hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities	\$'000	Dec. qtr	38,096	15.0	5.6	672,163	9.8	8.3	5.7	6			
Private new capital expenditure	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	329	-3.4	-27.1	7,277	14.4	-1.9	4.5	7			
Private new capital expenditure	\$m	1992-93	1,581	..	-2.7	25,800	..	6.4	6.1	7			
Expected private new capital expenditure	\$m	6 Months to June 93	793	..	14.1	12,083	..	10.4	6.6	7			
Expected private new capital expenditure	\$m	1993-94	1,203	..	-20.5	19,542	..	-21.0	6.2	7			
<b>Production</b>													
Dwelling unit approvals													
Original	No.	Feb. 94	851	16.3	-21.3	13,884	8.7	6.4	6.1	8			
Trend	No.	Feb. 94	905	-0.9	-16.0	15,506	0.8	5.2	5.8	8			
Dwelling unit commencements	No.	Dec. qtr 93	2,793	-14.2	-3.9	44,469	-3.2	8.8	6.3	9, 9a			
Value of non-residential building approvals	\$m	Feb. 94	40.0	42.9	-27.0	781.0	38.0	33.5	5.1	8			
Value of total building activity													
Commenced	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	345.5	0.3	-10.7	6,573.2	4.3	12.0	5.3	9			
Work done	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	376.5	-6.5	-6.1	6,709.5	3.7	3.9	5.6	9			
Work yet to be done	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	349.2	-5.0	-20.5	7,944.6	-0.3	2.7	4.4	9			
Value of engineering construction work done	\$m	Dec. qtr 93	184.3	10.4	29.1	3,001.5	4.8	8.0	6.1	10			
Manufacturing production													
Ready-mixed concrete	'000 cu. m	Feb. 94	80	33.0	5.8	1,207	24.1	4.8	6.6	11			
Electricity (SA and NT)	mill. kWh	Feb. 94	849	-8.9	1.6	12,521	-4.9	0.7	6.8	12			
Cheese	tonnes	Dec. 93	2,863	-4.7	27.1	24,296	-2.9	10.6	11.8	13			
Red meat	tonnes	Feb. 94	21,223	14.6	7.7	239,770	1.4	4.2	8.9	14			
Mineral exploration expenditure (other than for petroleum)	\$m	Sep. qtr 93	5.6	-8.2	1.8	186.7	7.7	16.0	3.0	15			

Indicator		SOUTH AUSTRALIA				AUSTRALIA				SA as a % of Australia	Source index		
		% change		Over same period		% change		Over same period					
		Reference period	No.	Over pre- ceding period	previous year	Reference period	No.	Over pre- ceding period	previous year				
<b>Prices</b>													
CPI - All groups	1989-90=100	Dec. qtr 93	112.8	0.1	1.9	110.0	0.2	1.9	..	16			
Price index of materials used in house building	1985-86=100	Feb. 94	153.7	0.5	10.9	152.3	4.7	4.9	..	17			
Price index of materials used in building other than house building	1989-90=100	Feb. 94	108.4	0.6	2.7	110.2	-0.1	0.9	..	18			
Established house price index	1989-90=100	Dec. qtr 93	107.6	-0.6	1.3	108.4	0.9	2.7	..	19			
Price index of project homes	1989-90=100	Dec. qtr 93	110.9	1.2	5.5	105.3	-0.1	2.2	..	19			
<b>Labour Force and Demography</b>													
Population (resident at end of qtr)	'000	Sep. qtr 93	1,463.9	0.2	0.5	17,712.7	0.3	1.1	8.3	20			
Labour force													
Original	'000	Mar. 94	717.6	0.3	0.2	8,787.4	0.3	1.7	8.2	21			
Trend	'000	Mar. 94	712.6	-0.1	0.1	8,736.8	0.0	2.1	8.2	21			
Employed persons													
Original	'000	Mar. 94	637.5	0.9	0.5	7,838.2	1.1	2.3	8.1	21			
Trend	'000	Mar. 94	633.7	-0.1	0.4	7,830.7	0.1	2.7	8.1	21			
Participation rate													
Original (a)	%	Mar. 94	61.6	0.1	-0.3	63.3	0.2	0.1	..	21			
Trend (a)	%	Mar. 94	61.2	-0.1	-0.3	62.9	-0.1	0.6	..	21			
Unemployment rate													
Original (a)	%	Mar. 94	11.2	-0.5	-0.2	10.8	-0.7	0.2	..	21			
Trend (a)	%	Mar. 94	11.1	0.0	-0.2	10.4	-0.1	-0.4	..	21			
Job vacancies	'000	Feb. qtr 94	2.7	-3.6	92.9	45.9	20.2	54.0	5.9	22			
Average weekly overtime per employee	hours	Nov. qtr 93	1.1	13.5	11.2	1.3	13.0	8.3	..	22			
Industrial disputes	'000 working days lost	Jan. 93	0.0	..	-100.0	5.3	-72.3	-7.0	0.0	23			
Short-term overseas visitors arrivals	No.	Nov. 93	7,581	36.5	26.0	284,788	6.6	11.7	2.7	24			
Short-term resident departures	No.	Nov. 93	7,174	-12.2	-16.8	170,534	-3.6	-2.3	4.2	25			
<b>Incomes</b>													
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time)	\$	Nov. qtr 93	599.4	-0.6	2.5	604.2	0.3	3.0	..	25			
Award rates of pay (full-time adults, weekly)	June 1985=100	Feb. 94	143.3	0.1	1.3	140.9	0.1	1.0	..	26			
<b>Financial markets</b>													
Secured housing finance	\$m	Feb. 94	322.2	31.0	57.6	4,459.9	36.1	42.6	7.2	27			
Finance commitments													
Personal	\$m	Jan. 94	151.9	-5.7	29.5	2,100.1	-3.3	55.7	7.2	28			
Commercial	\$m	Jan. 94	343.9	-12.4	25.1	6,239.3	-28.0	34.2	5.5	29			
Lease	\$m	Jan. 94	12.0	-30.2	-14.9	302.6	-43.3	16.9	4.0	30			
Interest rates													
Banks new housing loans (a)	%	Mar. 94	..	..	..	8.75	0.0	-1.3	..	31			
Small overdraft rate (a)													
Minimum	%	Mar. 94	..	..	..	9.20	0.0	-1.0	..	31			
Maximum	%	Mar. 94	..	..	..	9.50	0.0	-1.0	..	31			

(a) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

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## Australian Business Expectations

### Introduction

In the September quarter 1993 the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) conducted its first Business Expectations Survey. This survey was developed in response to an expressed need for better information about future trading conditions in Australia. The latest survey was conducted in the March quarter 1994.

This survey is the largest and most comprehensive of its type in Australia and the only survey to provide both a *qualitative* indicator of business confidence (a weighted net balance) and a *quantitative* measure of expected change (a weighted aggregate) for a range of business performance indicators. The survey has the following features.

- 3,000 representative Australian businesses are sampled.
- Businesses of all sizes are covered.
- All industries except agriculture and general government are represented.
- All States and Territories are included.
- Responses are weighted with respect to the size of the reporting business.
- Results are produced for both a short term expectation (next quarter compared with current quarter) and a medium term expectation (equivalent quarter next year compared with current quarter).

### Methodology

The survey is based on a stratified random sample of approximately 3,000 businesses selected from the ABS annual Economic Activity Survey (EAS) and is conducted by mail each quarter. The EAS provides the benchmark information which is used to weight individual business responses and to enable the aggregation of percentage responses from different businesses. The survey population for the EAS is derived from the ABS central register of business units.

The sample is stratified by industry, sector (private and government) and size (number of employees), and is supplemented by a further sample of businesses which have been created since the sample was selected.

All employing businesses in the economy except for those involved in agriculture or general government are within the scope of this survey. Each unit is classified to an industry in accordance with the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC).

Data are presented in three business sizes:

- small (generally fewer than 20 employees, but fewer than 100 for manufacturers);
- medium (generally between 20 and 100 employees, but between 100 and 599 for manufacturers);
- large (more than 100 employees generally, but 600 or more for manufacturers).

### Business Performance Indicators

The survey uses a set of well recognised economic trading indicators to measure future trading activity. These indicators include:

- sales of goods and services;
- selling prices;
- expenses;
- stocks;
- employment;
- capital expenditure;
- profits;
- exports and imports.

### Comparison with Similar Surveys

Surveys of business expectations have been available to decision makers in Australia for many years. The main output from these surveys has been a qualitative indicator which provides the net proportion of business predicting a rise or fall in future business conditions. However, such indicators suffer from the limitation of being based on responses which are *unweighted* with respect to the size of the business with each reporting business being given an equal weight in the overall result.

As alternatives to the *net balance* approach the ABS has produced both a *weighted net balance* indicator and a *weighted measure of expected (percentage) change*. The weighted net balance is calculated by assigning a weight to each selected business according to its relative economic contribution based on level of sales, expenditure, employment etc.

The impact on the net balance indicator as a result of this weighting is presented in the following table.

**NET PROPORTION OF BUSINESSES EXPECTING AN INCREASE OR DECREASE, MARCH QUARTER 1994**

	<i>Simple Net Balance</i> %	<i>Weighted Net Balance</i> %
Sales	47.7	47.4
Wage costs	44.1	40.1
Employment	3.1	-11.8

This table shows that for the March quarter 1994 a positive simple net balance of 3.1% of businesses expect an increase in employment. However, the lower and negative weighted net balance of 11.8% indicates that businesses expecting a decrease in employment tend on average to be larger than those expecting an increase.

### Seasonal Influences and Price Variations

The data presented in this article cannot be adjusted for the impact of seasonal influences or for price variations

which may occur between the current period and the expectations periods.

Caution should be exercised in comparing results across quarters as seasonal influences may outweigh changes in economic conditions. The earliest indication of seasonal influences will not be available until at least five quarters expectations data are available.

## Key Results

### *Short term Outlook - Expected Change for the June quarter 1994 compared with the March quarter 1994*

A weighted net balance of 47.4 % of all businesses expect increased sales in the June quarter. Sales are expected to increase by 1.9% but follow the 1.4% decline expected for the March quarter.

Although most businesses expect to increase their prices, the weighted aggregate change increase of 0.5%, similar to the 0.4% increase expected for the March quarter, suggests little impact on inflation.

Profits, investment, operating expenses, imports and exports are all expected to rise in the June quarter while employment is expected to decline marginally.

### **AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS, JUNE QUARTER 1994 COMPARED WITH MARCH QUARTER 1994, WEIGHTED NET BALANCE AND EXPECTED AGGREGATE CHANGE**

Business performance indicators	Proportion of businesses expecting			Net aggregate change %	
	No change %	Increases %	Decreases %		
Sales	33.0	57.2	9.8	47.4	1.9
Selling prices	47.3	45.0	7.7	37.3	0.5
Profit	17.2	50.5	32.3	18.2	4.4
Capital expenditure	37.2	54.6	8.2	46.4	4.2
Stocks	33.7	26.1	40.2	-14.1	0.1
Employment (full-time equivalent)	51.4	18.4	30.2	-11.8	-0.2
Wages	37.1	51.5	11.4	40.1	1.1
Non-wage labour expenses	41.4	47.8	10.8	37.0	1.0
Other operating expenses	41.5	52.0	6.5	45.5	1.3
Imports	40.7	43.3	16.0	27.3	1.6
Exports	66.7	23.3	10.0	13.3	1.3

### *Medium Term Outlook - Expected Change for the March quarter 1995 compared with the March quarter 1994*

Sales of goods and services are expected to be 3.9% higher for the March quarter 1995 than for the March Quarter 1994. Selling prices are expected to increase by 1.3% reflecting a continuation of the low inflationary pressure evident in the expectations of the previous survey. An increase of 20.4% in expected profit indicates continuing strong growth.

While a net balance of 35.2% of businesses expect an increase in capital expenditure in the March quarter 1995, the negligible weighted expected aggregate change of 0.1% indicates that there is no significant upturn in this series.

Little change in employment is expected but wages are expected to increase by 1.8% and total operating expenses by 1.7%.

Imports and exports are expected to increase by 0.6% and 1.8% respectively.

### **AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS, MARCH QUARTER 1995 COMPARED WITH MARCH QUARTER 1994, WEIGHTED NET BALANCE AND EXPECTED AGGREGATE CHANGE**

Business performance indicators	Proportion of businesses expecting			Net aggregate change %	Expected aggregate change %
	No change %	Increases %	Decreases %		
Sales	21.5	74.2	4.3	69.9	3.9
Selling prices	35.4	57.7	6.9	50.8	1.3
Profit	8.3	69.4	22.3	47.1	20.4
Capital expenditure	24.6	55.3	20.1	35.2	0.1
Stocks	31.1	36.9	32.0	4.9	0.1
Employment (full-time equivalent)	38.7	36.7	24.6	12.1	-0.1
Wages	17.2	71.1	11.7	59.4	1.8
Non-wage labour expenses	24.6	64.2	11.2	53.0	1.3
Other operating expenses	24.3	70.9	4.8	66.1	1.7
Imports	43.5	46.5	10.0	36.5	0.6
Exports	67.9	27.2	4.9	22.3	1.8

## Detailed Results - Size of Business

### *Short term Outlook - Expected Change for the June Quarter 1994 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

Medium (2.9%) and large (2.5%) businesses expect sales to rise while small businesses expect a negligible decrease. All businesses expect a similar rise in selling prices. Medium and large businesses expect increased profits while small businesses expect a fall. Only medium businesses anticipate an increase in employment.

### *Medium Term Outlook - Expected Change for the March Quarter 1995 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

Medium and large businesses expect increases in sales of 5.7% and 4.2% respectively while small businesses anticipate a rise of only 1.9%. All businesses expect selling prices to increase by 1.3%. Small businesses expect only a modest increase in profits while medium and large businesses expect rises of 42.5% and 22.6% respectively.

Large businesses expect full-time equivalent employment to fall while medium and small businesses expect modest

rises. Wages and other expenses are expected to increase between 1% and 2.5%.

### Detailed Results - Industries

#### *Short term Outlook - Expected Change for the June Quarter 1994 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

Consistent with normal seasonal patterns most industries are expecting sales to increase with the most significant being construction (3.4%); finance and insurance (2.7%); and manufacturing (2.6%). However, no increase in sales is expected in the transport, storage and communication industry.

June is the peak seasonal quarter for capital expenditure and this is reflected in the short term expectations for many industries with mining (12.6%); and transport, storage and communication (9.0%) leading the way.

Profit increases are expected for most industries ranging up to 29.0% for construction and 17.8% for manufacturing. Transport, storage and communication (-16.9%), and wholesale (-11.9%) are exceptions.

Most industries expect employment to fall in the short term with transport, storage and communication (-1.7%), and electricity, water and gas (-1.2%) looking to make the greatest cuts. The accommodation, cafes and restaurants industry expects growth of 1.3%.

#### *Medium Term Outlook - Expected Change for the March Quarter 1995 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

Most industries expect sales to increase at around the average rate of 3.9% with transport, storage and communication (8.3%) and electricity, gas and water (1.6%) being exceptions.

Overall little increase is expected in capital expenditure in the medium term. However, the mining industry is expecting a fall of 16.2% and transport, storage and communication a rise of 8.3%.

Most industries expect strong growth in profit with transport, storage and communication the highest at 52.8%. The smallest increases are expected for electricity, gas and water (2.3%) and mining (6.7%).

A number of industries expect a decline in employment in the medium term with the greatest decreases being electricity, gas and water (5.0%); construction (3.0%); and transport, storage and communication (3.0%). Property and business services expect the greatest increase at 1.4%.

### Detailed Results - State

Short and medium term expected change in business performance indicators by State are more difficult to compile and subject to a greater degree of estimation than the Australian estimates. This is because of the difficulties which multi-State businesses face in providing separate expectations responses for each State segment of the business.

The following results relate to the sales of goods and services. Other performance indicators may be made available as unpublished data or as a special data service.

#### *Short term Outlook - Expected Change for the June Quarter 1994 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

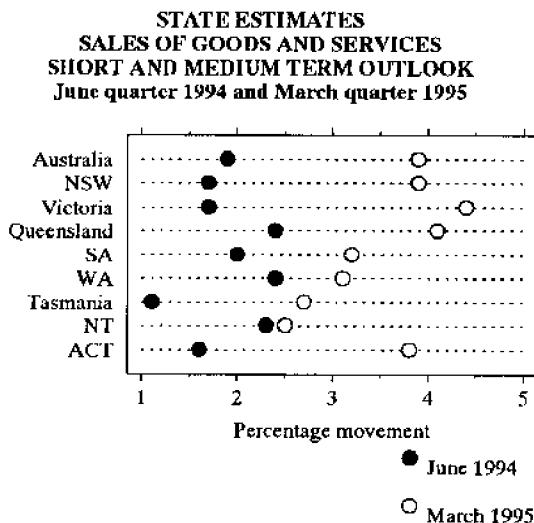
Businesses in Queensland (2.4%), Western Australia (2.4%), the Northern Territory (2.3%) and South Australia (2.0%) anticipate increases in sales above the Australian figure of 1.9%.

Smaller increases are expected in New South Wales (1.7%), Victoria (1.7%), the Australian Capital Territory (1.6%) and Tasmania (1.1%).

#### *Medium Term Outlook - Expected Change for the March Quarter 1995 compared with the March Quarter 1994*

All States and Territories are expecting increases in sales within the range 2.5 to 4.4%.

Businesses in Victoria (4.4%) and Queensland (4.1%) expect to do better than the Australian average of 3.9% in the medium term while those in the Australian Capital Territory (3.8%), South Australia (3.2%), Western Australia (3.1%), Tasmania (2.7%) and the Northern Territory (2.5%) have expectations below the Australian figure.



### Further Reference

The information in this article was extracted from the publication *Australian Business Expectations* (5250.0) which is available from ABS Bookshops in all capital cities. Inquiries concerning related unpublished statistics should be directed to Geoff McFarlane on Canberra (06) 252 5607.

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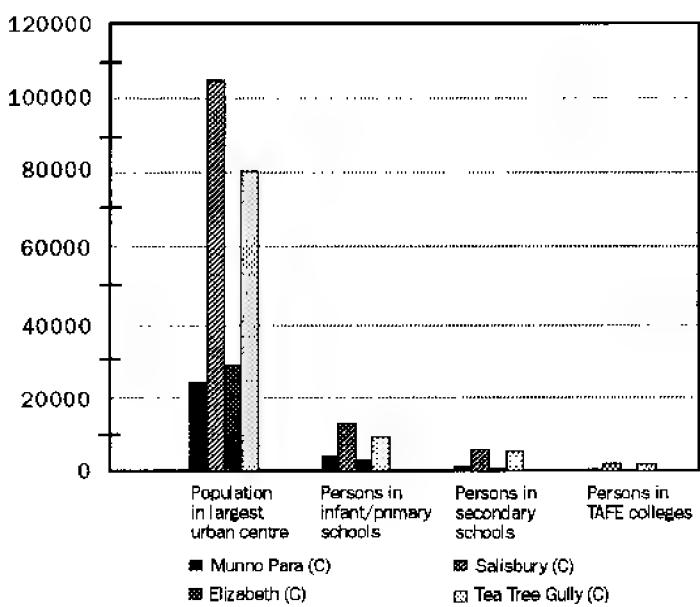
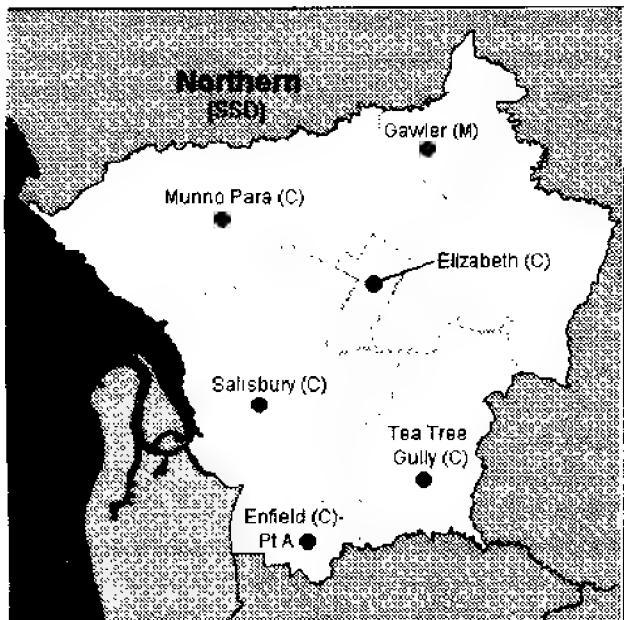
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Population density (Persons/Sq Km)	97.95	678.71	1427.71
Population in Largest Urban Centre (No.)	24973	105152	28954
Persons in pre-school (No.)	698	1774	510
Persons in infant/primary schools (No.)	4337	12815	3257
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## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP Final Production in SA

Period	Meat and meat preparations	Cereals and cereal preparations			Wool and sheepskins	Machinery	Metals and metal manufactures		Fish and crustaceans	Road vehicles, parts and accessories	Petroleum and petroleum products	Total
			Wine				Fish and crustaceans	Road vehicles, parts and accessories				
ANNUAL												
1989-90	244,374	724,369	73,484	285,650	111,944	371,136	111,760	161,704	188,105	2,828,091		
1990-91	234,299	587,199	123,567	257,576	152,940	433,341	122,604	117,218	291,507	3,007,137		
1991-92	270,237	565,582	165,914	351,097	176,536	489,032	147,532	137,091	341,477	3,431,138		
1992-93	282,165	573,375	192,255	318,989	211,426	490,594	154,593	338,359	372,347	3,760,356		
MONTHLY												
1992-93 –												
January	19,261	47,041	13,301	22,627	9,279	36,756	13,000	7,450	21,212	246,432		
February	21,698	35,857	11,263	22,402	16,796	53,724	14,207	24,596	4,924	270,255		
March	26,334	33,648	16,298	25,670	18,345	41,764	17,361	27,429	35,354	345,318		
April	23,666	55,766	15,214	24,503	15,005	24,354	13,657	31,776	20,596	287,371		
May	23,966	55,091	22,787	16,813	21,166	42,841	12,711	39,284	44,762	336,720		
June	28,313	36,667	23,697	20,770	21,647	45,708	13,884	72,277	42,498	373,857		
1993-94 –												
July	22,550	21,436	25,559	13,694	21,025	23,004	13,817	45,380	10,842	266,511		
August	16,157	29,800	21,738	11,563	15,861	37,096	8,971	24,715	21,313	303,577		
September	22,721	41,652	31,685	16,813	20,303	42,137	15,084	29,068	32,406	319,670		
October	31,567	5,778	25,962	31,195	24,118	34,182	21,169	36,065	28,716	325,051		
November	28,770	34,612	14,614	29,568	16,605	32,400	20,968	50,317	12,889	324,240		
December	30,208	35,141	14,765	33,949	18,593	37,504	16,534	45,612	28,909	357,532		
January	26,459	49,412	9,814	29,032	9,481	36,489	13,211	3,303	14,467	279,377		
February	21,024	58,854	13,866	19,412	16,634	34,398	10,663	29,892	22,461	300,369		

## MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY INDUSTRY OF ORIGIN Final Production in SA

Period	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing			Mining	Food, Beverage and Tobacco	Coal, Chemical Associated Product	Metal Product	Manufacturing		Other	Other	Total
								Machinery and Equipment	Other			
ANNUAL												
1988-89	891,829	107,269	511,427	176,018	255,046	268,737	96,031	145,051	2,451,372			
1989-90	979,463	133,318	578,379	132,725	403,204	318,882	99,958	182,162	2,828,091			
1990-91	804,154	120,930	591,117	264,813	471,899	335,347	155,351	263,526	3,007,137			
1991-92	626,739	248,846	700,586	201,674	540,543	379,483	178,485	554,787	3,431,138			
1992-93	559,981	294,586	764,356	195,255	509,303	641,206	178,726	616,943	3,760,356			
MONTHLY												
1992-93 –												
January	65,123	13,958	52,092	15,982	37,344	19,975	13,111	28,846	246,432			
February	42,520	1,165	58,805	11,080	57,198	46,173	13,727	39,787	270,255			
March	38,342	31,225	68,721	16,963	42,754	52,505	18,012	76,798	345,318			
April	43,071	14,867	68,711	14,147	24,671	52,136	12,016	57,752	287,371			
May	27,993	42,661	67,835	21,080	42,535	66,979	10,814	56,823	336,720			
June	29,296	41,926	85,868	14,036	46,557	98,821	11,524	45,828	373,857			
1993-94 –												
July	20,199	2,706	71,054	19,416	23,413	74,802	11,700	43,220	266,511			
August	19,527	17,525	57,923	16,962	37,450	46,938	10,996	96,257	303,577			
September	17,024	28,429	81,894	12,637	48,143	56,858	13,673	61,012	319,670			
October	33,805	18,612	88,077	24,992	34,699	69,880	18,430	36,556	325,051			
November	31,469	838	76,297	19,336	32,989	74,382	17,199	71,730	324,240			
December	37,765	31,313	71,285	10,185	37,936	73,524	19,235	76,288	357,532			
January	34,109	14,806	62,738	8,974	36,764	17,820	19,007	85,160	279,377			
February	36,552	22,321	54,849	7,778	34,932	53,256	13,444	77,236	300,369			

**MERCHANDISE EXPORTS BY COUNTRY**  
**Final Production in SA**

Period	(\$ '000)									
	European Community				East Asia				Other East Asia	Middle East
	United States	United Kingdom	European Community	New Zealand	Japan	China	Hong Kong	ASEAN		
ANNUAL										
1988-89	347,066	117,384	279,035	255,471	398,492	100,191	60,500	286,808	154,676	451,751
1989-90	332,976	133,918	319,322	307,973	365,324	147,682	699,369	371,818	178,915	600,794
1990-91	381,534	191,024	319,583	212,786	444,431	185,430	90,382	494,742	246,038	441,186
1991-92	356,271	223,619	371,398	236,213	651,109	206,334	119,893	518,315	309,230	428,759
1992-93	368,585	244,239	426,743	326,488	675,283	229,574	188,879	589,406	355,698	355,460
MONTHLY										
<b>1992-93 –</b>										
January	16,812	14,215	16,268	16,481	55,582	9,651	15,382	33,089	36,047	32,906
February	31,032	14,911	46,294	16,614	43,313	16,487	15,649	36,100	33,556	16,299
March	49,849	42,044	35,851	18,969	58,607	19,524	22,550	61,386	18,123	18,416
April	28,423	9,987	21,693	34,259	42,261	20,217	19,167	29,353	58,079	23,933
May	30,227	26,376	54,472	26,071	58,474	12,272	20,162	65,947	19,533	23,186
June	50,441	30,838	58,877	30,154	80,441	9,593	14,311	41,150	37,410	20,642
<b>1993-94 –</b>										
July	30,894	19,156	35,537	29,754	45,206	10,890	9,651	42,611	28,473	14,339
August	26,100	55,444	35,387	22,391	51,300	12,752	10,314	33,604	37,520	18,766
September	26,071	27,172	34,833	29,844	56,504	14,566	9,640	71,117	42,042	7,881
October	30,148	21,264	22,821	33,732	79,233	20,379	12,923	61,748	26,109	16,695
November	57,943	8,568	34,365	43,032	46,686	28,209	16,198	47,141	23,847	18,250
December	48,814	14,640	29,605	29,802	60,521	25,396	16,323	63,336	26,673	42,423
January	19,514	8,294	14,066	13,238	45,071	9,523	15,887	60,598	35,134	58,052
February	34,674	13,613	50,003	24,978	28,043	26,164	13,197	49,836	34,799	25,062

**MERCHANDISE IMPORTS BY COMMODITY GROUP**  
**Import Documents Lodged in SA**

Period	(\$ '000)								Total
	Food, beverages and tobacco	Petroleum and petroleum products	Chemicals		Textiles	Metals and metal manu- factures	Machinery	Road vehicles, parts and accessories	
	United States	United Kingdom	European Community	New Zealand	Japan	China	Hong Kong	ASEAN	
ANNUAL									
1989-90	71,796	203,654	167,154	49,249	147,969	462,885	414,800	399,437	2,050,024
1990-91	78,926	425,262	140,894	49,087	135,772	515,226	372,603	366,304	2,193,851
1991-92	82,096	362,777	153,572	62,885	151,165	523,849	435,124	513,013	2,396,954
1992-93	91,756	570,334	186,001	57,434	255,924	609,212	661,714	521,728	3,068,127
MONTHLY									
<b>1992-93 –</b>									
January	5,893	78,501	22,210	4,434	13,004	44,624	41,056	55,525	271,096
February	7,188	56,090	21,487	3,892	19,629	60,556	51,769	33,840	262,251
March	12,411	28,348	13,724	6,309	10,743	70,440	65,595	46,223	263,888
April	6,441	33,453	15,499	3,877	19,147	43,383	52,720	40,026	223,721
May	7,185	53,571	17,176	4,785	8,300	52,850	45,851	40,643	239,272
June	6,560	37,704	15,518	5,332	14,046	53,557	72,404	39,504	258,029
<b>1993-94 –</b>									
July	7,605	41,401	14,236	6,259	14,158	58,436	60,778	46,261	264,048
August	8,293	52,941	12,906	5,596	11,279	46,107	61,331	40,730	246,843
September	8,475	56,549	18,293	5,581	19,334	57,196	52,346	46,366	280,596
October	7,203	107	12,423	4,342	14,389	61,025	57,227	40,661	207,631
November	11,333	45,041	13,082	5,656	11,426	49,995	73,123	42,218	263,340
December	7,643	37,281	22,738	4,205	13,333	45,275	38,057	36,106	214,701
January	7,054	49,812	14,391	4,050	11,192	49,846	39,738	37,741	222,139
February	8,085	16,304	11,498	3,777	11,497	36,058	42,092	38,263	175,557

**TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS BY INDUSTRY**  
**South Australia**

Period	Grocers, confectioners and tobacconists	Butchers	Other food stores	Hotels, liquor stores and licensed clubs		Cafes and restaurants	Clothing and fabric stores	Department and general stores	Footwear stores
				n.a.	338.3				
ANNUAL (\$ million)									
1984-85	1,462.3	145.1	308.7	573.1	n.a.	338.3	788.7	54.8	
1985-86	1,615.9	155.6	368.8	659.5	n.a.	358.7	882.7	59.9	
1986-87	1,732.1	141.7	398.6	680.8	n.a.	351.1	924.8	62.1	
1987-88	1,801.2	121.1	443.0	745.7	n.a.	362.1	952.9	77.0	
1988-89	1,896.9	155.7	446.1	770.5	295.6	406.7	963.6	82.2	
1989-90	1,985.8	169.7	480.1	775.0	298.9	453.3	1,032.2	90.9	
1990-91	2,191.2	182.0	539.9	768.4	313.4	461.2	1,060.0	101.8	
1991-92	2,300.8	135.9	603.1	778.5	326.4	384.6	1,078.2	101.0	
1992-93	2,330.1	117.9	476.3	738.8	318.9	355.2	1,092.1	101.7	
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR									
1985-86	10.5	7.2	19.5	15.1	n.a.	6.0	11.9	9.3	
1986-87	7.2	-8.9	8.1	3.2	n.a.	-2.1	4.8	3.7	
1987-88	4.0	-14.5	11.1	9.5	n.a.	3.1	3.0	24.0	
1988-89	5.3	28.6	0.7	3.3	n.a.	12.3	1.1	6.8	
1989-90	4.7	9.0	7.6	0.6	1.1	11.5	7.1	10.6	
1990-91	10.3	7.2	12.5	-0.9	4.9	1.7	2.7	12.0	
1991-92	5.0	-25.3	11.7	1.3	4.1	-16.6	1.7	-0.8	
1992-93	1.3	-13.2	-21.0	-5.1	-2.3	-7.6	1.3	0.7	
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL (\$ million)									
1992-93 – December	224.9	12.8	42.1	84.1	29.2	39.3	162.0	10.8	
January	193.6	10.6	37.9	63.7	28.3	26.7	78.7	9.4	
February	177.4	9.2	38.0	56.4	24.7	22.8	68.9	6.4	
March	203.2	9.8	41.7	61.4	27.8	26.9	77.0	8.4	
April	206.0	9.6	38.9	63.9	25.7	26.8	86.0	8.6	
May	200.4	8.5	37.3	57.7	23.9	30.1	92.5	9.0	
June	195.5	10.3	36.5	59.5	24.1	31.3	88.4	8.2	
1993-94 – July	210.3	11.0	38.0	64.6	26.0	30.6	84.5	8.0	
August	196.8	10.6	35.4	61.1	23.5	28.0	78.4	6.9	
September	203.8	10.7	35.4	65.9	21.1	31.0	85.4	7.9	
October	210.2	9.1	36.2	74.2	24.8	31.8	88.9	8.9	
November	209.8	8.2	39.5	74.7	26.8	33.6	101.1	8.6	
December	251.5	8.4	45.6	103.4	27.6	44.9	166.1	12.1	
January	202.6	6.5	39.8	75.0	25.3	27.6	76.1	9.1	
February	199.1	6.2	34.9	70.2	24.1	24.7	70.5	7.4	
MONTHLY, TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)									
1992-93 – December	192.4	10.2	38.4	60.6	n.a.	29.8	91.4	8.9	
January	194.9	10.2	38.7	60.4		29.0	91.2	8.9	
February	197.3	10.1	39.3	60.5		28.3	91.2	8.8	
March	199.5	10.1	39.8	61.3		27.9	91.6	8.6	
April	201.2	10.2	40.0	62.6		27.8	91.8	8.3	
May	202.6	10.3	39.8	64.3		28.2	91.8	8.1	
June	203.7	10.5	39.0	66.1		29.0	91.4	7.9	
1993-94 – July	205.1	10.6	37.9	68.0		30.0	91.1	7.9	
August	206.6	10.4	37.0	69.6		31.2	90.9	8.0	
September	208.1	9.9	36.6	70.9		32.0	90.7	8.3	
October	209.7	9.1	36.7	72.0		32.4	90.7	8.6	
November	211.2	8.2	37.2	72.8		32.6	91.0	8.9	
December	212.5	7.4	38.0	73.6		32.5	91.3	9.2	
January	213.7	6.7	38.7	74.2		32.4	91.6	9.5	
February	215.1	6.2	39.4	74.7		32.0	91.6	9.8	
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND ESTIMATES									
1992-93 – February	1.2	-1.0	1.6	0.2	n.a.	-2.4	0.0	-1.1	
March	1.1	0.0	1.3	1.3		-1.4	0.4	-2.3	
April	0.9	1.0	0.5	2.1		-0.4	0.2	-3.5	
May	0.7	1.0	-0.5	2.7		1.4	0.0	-2.4	
June	0.5	1.9	-2.0	2.8		2.8	-0.4	-2.5	
1993-94 – July	0.7	1.0	-2.8	2.9		3.4	-0.3	0.0	
August	0.7	-1.9	-2.4	2.4		4.0	-0.2	1.3	
September	0.7	-4.8	-1.1	1.9		2.6	-0.2	3.8	
October	0.8	-8.1	0.3	1.6		1.3	0.0	3.6	
November	0.7	-9.9	1.4	1.1		0.6	0.3	3.5	
December	0.6	-9.8	2.2	1.1		-0.3	0.3	3.4	
January	0.6	-9.5	1.8	0.8		-0.3	0.3	3.3	
February	0.7	-7.5	1.8	0.7		-1.2	0.0	3.2	

**TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS BY INDUSTRY**  
**South Australia – continued**

Period	Domestic hardware stores and jewellers	Electrical goods stores	Furniture stores	Floor covering stores	Pharmacies	Newsagents	Other stores	Total
ANNUAL (\$ million)								
1984-85	88.2	373.7	180.8	56.1	142.6	115.6	n.a.	5,015.5
1985-86	88.7	383.1	204.3	45.7	145.7	135.3	n.a.	5,529.2
1986-87	88.5	362.4	179.0	51.8	166.8	130.0	n.a.	5,735.4
1987-88	115.1	419.7	153.7	50.2	181.3	129.3	n.a.	6,056.2
1988-89	147.2	432.1	176.4	54.5	206.8	143.8	280.1	6,458.4
1989-90	182.7	419.9	181.1	66.6	238.7	157.6	297.2	6,829.4
1990-91	173.2	432.6	173.2	63.4	276.4	166.8	344.4	7,247.4
1991-92	207.1	419.9	174.3	49.8	298.6	143.8	357.4	7,358.7
1992-93	259.3	372.9	199.3	46.1	366.7	148.7	357.6	7,281.1
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR								
1985-86	0.6	2.5	13.0	-18.5	2.2	17.0	n.a.	10.2
1986-87	-0.2	-5.4	-12.4	13.3	14.5	-3.9	n.a.	3.7
1987-88	30.1	15.8	-14.1	-3.1	8.7	-0.5	n.a.	5.6
1988-89	27.9	3.0	14.8	8.6	14.1	11.2	n.a.	6.6
1989-90	24.1	-2.8	2.7	22.2	15.4	9.6	6.1	5.7
1990-91	-5.2	3.0	-4.4	-4.8	15.8	5.8	15.9	6.1
1991-92	19.6	-2.9	0.6	-21.5	8.0	-13.8	3.8	1.5
1992-93	25.2	-11.2	14.3	-7.4	22.8	3.4	0.1	-1.1
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
1992-93 –								
December	37.6	42.1	18.1	3.4	38.7	17.1	43.3	805.5
January	21.4	28.5	16.4	2.7	26.9	10.8	30.9	586.4
February	18.2	28.6	13.7	3.1	23.5	9.9	26.7	527.4
March	19.9	31.2	17.2	3.4	28.1	14.9	28.9	599.7
April	18.7	27.6	16.1	3.1	30.3	12.7	31.1	605.2
May	17.4	30.1	16.6	3.5	32.1	13.3	27.3	599.7
June	17.4	32.9	16.3	4.9	31.8	14.2	26.1	597.1
1993-94 –								
July	16.4	32.7	17.7	5.1	31.9	16.5	25.9	619.2
August	19.6	31.5	18.1	5.3	31.4	15.4	24.0	586.0
September	19.1	32.4	18.3	5.5	35.2	16.3	27.4	615.6
October	22.6	31.3	19.2	5.2	32.9	15.8	28.2	639.2
November	24.3	34.7	18.6	5.6	35.5	16.6	28.5	665.9
December	31.2	48.6	20.3	4.7	38.7	21.4	43.8	868.4
January	19.2	35.5	16.2	4.5	29.0	15.2	31.1	612.7
February	20.2	32.7	13.7	4.4	31.6	16.3	25.7	581.7
MONTHLY, TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
1992-93 –								
December	22.3	31.2	16.4	3.5	29.3	11.4	n.a.	603.7
January	22.4	30.8	16.4	3.4	29.3	11.5		604.7
February	22.2	30.5	16.5	3.3	29.7	11.9		606.6
March	21.7	30.4	16.6	3.4	30.3	12.6		609.4
April	21.1	30.4	16.7	3.6	31.1	13.3		612.7
May	20.4	30.8	16.8	3.9	31.8	14.1		616.4
June	20.0	31.4	17.1	4.3	32.3	15.0		620.7
1993-94 –								
July	20.0	32.2	17.4	4.7	32.7	15.9		625.5
August	20.1	33.2	17.9	5.0	32.7	16.5		630.1
September	20.3	34.0	18.2	5.1	32.4	17.0		634.3
October	20.4	34.7	18.2	5.1	32.4	17.1		638.4
November	20.6	35.3	18.0	5.1	32.5	17.1		642.8
December	20.8	35.9	17.5	5.1	32.7	17.0		647.4
January	21.2	36.4	17.0	5.1	33.2	16.9		651.9
February	21.5	36.7	16.4	5.1	33.6	16.8		655.8
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND ESTIMATES								
1992-93 –								
February	-0.9	-1.0	0.6	-2.9	1.4	3.5	n.a.	0.3
March	-2.3	-0.3	0.6	3.0	2.0	5.9		0.5
April	-2.8	0.0	0.6	5.9	2.6	5.6		0.5
May	-3.3	1.3	0.6	8.3	2.3	6.0		0.6
June	-2.0	1.9	1.8	10.3	1.6	6.4		0.7
1993-94 –								
July	0.0	2.5	1.8	9.3	1.2	6.0		0.8
August	0.5	3.1	2.9	6.4	0.0	3.8		0.7
September	1.0	2.4	1.7	2.0	-0.9	3.0		0.7
October	0.5	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6		0.6
November	1.0	1.7	-1.1	0.0	0.3	0.0		0.7
December	1.0	1.7	-2.8	0.0	0.6	-0.6		0.7
January	1.9	1.4	-2.9	0.0	1.5	-0.6		0.7
February	1.4	0.8	-3.5	0.0	1.2	-0.6		0.6

**NEW MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS BY TYPE OF VEHICLE**  
**South Australia**

Period	Original			Seasonally Adjusted			Trend Estimate		
	Cars and station wagons	Other vehicles	Total	Cars and station wagons	Other vehicles	Total	Cars and station wagons	Other vehicles	Total
ANNUAL									
1982-83	39,554	9,193	48,747	..	..	..	..	..	..
1983-84	41,204	9,769	50,973	..	..	..	..	..	..
1984-85	45,809	11,795	57,604	..	..	..	..	..	..
1985-86	40,840	9,620	50,460	..	..	..	..	..	..
1986-87	29,788	6,430	36,218	..	..	..	..	..	..
1987-88	29,915	5,775	35,690	..	..	..	..	..	..
1988-89	31,920	6,816	38,736	..	..	..	..	..	..
1989-90	35,211	7,808	43,019	..	..	..	..	..	..
1990-91	34,753	6,619	41,372	..	..	..	..	..	..
1991-92	32,351	5,333	37,684	..	..	..	..	..	..
1992-93	32,894	5,577	38,471	..	..	..	..	..	..
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR									
1983-84	4.2	6.3	4.6	..	..	..	..	..	..
1984-85	11.2	20.7	13.0	..	..	..	..	..	..
1985-86	-10.8	-18.4	-12.4	..	..	..	..	..	..
1986-87	-27.1	-33.2	-28.2	..	..	..	..	..	..
1987-88	0.4	-10.2	-1.5	..	..	..	..	..	..
1988-89	6.7	18.0	8.5	..	..	..	..	..	..
1989-90	10.3	14.6	11.1	..	..	..	..	..	..
1990-91	-1.3	-15.2	-3.8	..	..	..	..	..	..
1991-92	-6.9	-19.4	-8.9	..	..	..	..	..	..
1992-93	1.7	4.6	2.1	..	..	..	..	..	..
MONTHLY									
1992-93 -									
January	1,961	362	2,323	2,661	480	3,141	2,684	473	3,157
February	2,254	403	2,657	2,499	421	2,920	2,656	470	3,127
March	2,856	563	3,419	2,551	490	3,041	2,656	472	3,128
April	2,475	393	2,868	2,734	431	3,165	2,689	475	3,164
May	2,678	492	3,170	2,831	495	3,326	2,731	474	3,205
June	2,976	606	3,582	2,785	514	3,299	2,761	467	3,228
1993-94 -									
July	2,703	484	3,187	2,676	487	3,164	2,764	457	3,221
August	3,156	393	3,549	2,934	414	3,347	2,724	445	3,169
September	2,805	336	3,141	2,574	333	2,907	2,674	434	3,108
October	2,602	466	3,068	2,527	482	3,009	2,648	429	3,077
November	2,951	539	3,490	2,723	492	3,214	2,656	431	3,087
December	2,725	447	3,172	2,623	423	3,046	2,689	439	3,128
January	1,940	299	2,239	2,630	401	3,031	2,734	446	3,180
February	2,769	417	3,186	3,073	434	3,507	2,777	455	3,232
March	3,065	580	3,645	2,711	511	3,221	2,832	464	3,296
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH									
1992-93 -									
February	14.9	11.3	14.4	-6.1	-12.3	-7.0	-1.0	-0.6	-1.0
March	26.7	39.7	28.7	2.1	16.4	4.1	0.0	0.4	0.0
April	-13.3	-30.2	-16.1	7.2	-12.0	4.1	1.2	0.6	1.2
May	8.2	25.2	10.5	3.5	14.8	5.1	1.6	-0.2	1.3
June	11.1	23.2	13.0	-1.6	3.8	-0.8	1.1	-1.5	0.7
1993-94									
July	-9.2	-20.1	-11.0	-3.9	-5.3	-4.1	0.1	-2.1	-0.2
August	16.8	-18.8	11.4	9.6	-15.0	5.8	-1.4	-2.6	-1.6
September	-11.1	-14.5	-11.5	-12.3	-19.6	-13.1	-1.8	-2.5	-1.9
October	-7.2	38.7	-2.3	-1.8	44.7	3.5	-1.0	-1.2	-1.0
November	13.4	15.7	13.8	7.8	2.1	6.8	0.3	0.5	0.3
December	-7.7	-17.1	-9.1	-3.7	-14.0	-5.2	1.2	1.9	1.3
January	-28.8	-39.1	-29.4	0.3	-5.2	-0.5	1.7	1.6	1.7
February	42.7	39.5	42.3	16.8	8.2	15.7	1.6	2.0	1.6
March	10.7	39.1	14.4	-11.8	17.7	-8.2	2.0	2.0	2.0

**ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY SELECTED INDUSTRY AND TYPE OF ASSET**  
**South Australia**

Period	Industry			Total	Type of Asset	
	Manufacturing	Finance etc	Other industries		New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery
ANNUAL (\$ million)						
1982-83	217.6	119.9	824.6	1,162.1	227.1	934.9
1983-84	218.8	173.5	724.3	1,116.6	258.5	858.1
1984-85	334.7	252.4	562.1	1,149.2	303.5	845.8
1985-86	396.8	211.2	689.8	1,297.8	358.3	939.5
1986-87	496.0	313.6	699.1	1,508.7	516.3	992.5
1987-88	659.2	379.4	846.3	1,884.9	530.4	1,354.5
1988-89	633.0	444.3	691.6	1,768.9	609.8	1,159.1
1989-90	763.3	472.0	546.2	1,781.5	633.1	1,148.3
1990-91	744.8	412.2	673.3	1,830.3	627.9	1,202.5
1991-92	766.0	158.0	701.0	1,625.0	392.0	1,233.0
1992-93	571.0	274.0	736.0	1,581.0	413.0	1,168.0
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR						
1983-84	0.6	44.7	-12.2	-3.9	13.8	-8.2
1984-85	53.0	45.5	22.4	2.9	17.4	-1.4
1985-86	18.6	-16.3	22.7	12.9	18.1	11.1
1986-87	25.0	48.5	1.3	16.3	44.1	5.6
1987-88	32.9	21.0	21.1	24.9	2.7	36.5
1988-89	-4.0	17.1	-18.3	-6.2	15.0	-14.4
1989-90	20.6	6.2	-21.0	0.7	3.8	-0.9
1990-91	-2.4	-12.7	23.3	2.7	-0.8	4.7
1991-92	2.8	-61.7	4.1	-11.2	-37.6	2.5
1992-93	-25.5	73.4	5.0	-2.7	5.4	-5.3
QUARTERLY (\$ million)						
1991-92 – December	205.8	40.2	215.2	461.2	106.9	354.3
March	154.8	29.2	140.9	324.9	73.2	251.8
June	190.4	33.3	187.5	411.2	81.0	330.2
1992-93 – September	139.0	51.8	140.9	331.7	84.6	247.1
December	144.2	97.3	210.1	451.6	147.8	303.8
March	143.4	96.3	159.1	398.8	126.8	272.0
June	144.3	28.8	225.5	331.2	53.5	277.7
1993-94 – September	130.6	26.3	189.8	340.7	87.8	252.9
December	131.6	50.4	147.0	329.0	70.3	258.7
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER						
1991-92 – March	-24.8	-27.4	-34.5	-29.6	-31.5	-28.9
June	23.0	14.0	33.1	26.6	10.7	31.1
1992-93 – September	-27.0	55.6	-24.9	-19.3	4.4	-25.2
December	3.7	87.8	49.1	36.1	74.7	22.9
March	-0.6	-1.0	-24.3	-11.7	-14.2	-10.5
June	0.6	-70.1	41.7	-0.1	-57.8	26.9
1993-94 – September	-9.5	-8.7	-18.5	-14.5	64.1	-26.7
December	0.8	91.6	-20.0	-3.4	-19.9	2.3

## BUILDING APPROVALS: South Australia

Period	Number of dwelling units				Value (\$ million)			
	Houses		Total		New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building	Non-residential building	Total building
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total				
ANNUAL								
1982-83	5,196	6,178	6,456	8,789	320	39	295	655
1983-84	8,663	9,751	11,117	13,490	532	53	384	969
1984-85	8,719	9,923	12,406	15,053	672	72	550	1,294
1985-86	6,392	7,382	8,873	10,940	545	80	619	1,244
1986-87	5,811	6,706	7,069	9,119	487	82	584	1,152
1987-88	6,276	6,900	7,355	8,942	497	94	749	1,340
1988-89	7,526	8,006	9,597	11,162	690	109	895	1,694
1989-90	7,246	7,675	10,158	11,646	733	110	914	1,757
1990-91	8,351	8,633	10,399	11,407	755	119	591	1,465
1991-92	8,613	8,931	10,222	11,258	756	124	627	1,506
1992-93	9,710	10,087	11,519	12,312	841	133	418	1,392
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR								
1983-84	66.7	57.8	72.2	53.5	65.9	37.0	29.9	48.0
1984-85	0.6	1.8	11.6	11.6	26.3	35.5	43.3	33.5
1985-86	-26.7	-25.6	-28.5	-27.3	-18.9	10.5	12.6	-3.9
1986-87	-9.1	-9.2	-20.3	-16.6	-10.7	2.3	-5.7	-7.4
1987-88	8.0	2.9	4.0	-1.9	2.2	14.6	28.2	16.3
1988-89	19.9	16.0	30.5	24.8	38.8	16.0	19.5	26.4
1989-90	-3.7	-4.1	5.8	4.3	6.1	1.2	2.1	3.7
1990-91	15.2	12.5	2.4	-2.1	3.1	8.6	-35.4	-16.6
1991-92	3.1	3.5	-1.7	-1.3	0.1	3.9	6.1	2.8
1992-93	12.7	12.9	12.7	9.4	11.3	7.1	-33.2	-7.6
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL								
1992-93 – December	755	777	1,041	1,145	73.7	10.6	24.8	109.2
January	651	664	776	811	54.8	8.3	14.4	77.5
February	876	903	1,020	1,081	73.5	9.5	54.8	137.8
March	891	960	1,018	1,136	79.3	13.6	21.0	113.9
April	778	833	924	1,000	67.9	13.1	37.1	118.2
May	848	895	966	1,059	75.1	11.1	36.1	122.3
June	883	966	970	1,109	75.7	11.4	23.7	110.9
1993-94 – July	916	949	1,071	1,138	83.5	10.8	32.8	127.1
August	1,007	1,044	1,117	1,188	85.9	10.9	16.3	113.1
September	795	798	890	893	61.7	10.3	47.1	119.2
October	723	734	845	858	57.8	9.4	29.5	96.7
November	831	858	935	1,014	73.4	11.7	30.4	115.5
December	739	758	871	925	66.5	9.3	27.4	103.1
January	574	605	687	732	51.5	9.7	28.0	89.4
February	696	707	627	851	60.4	7.9	40.0	108.2
MONTHLY, TREND ESTIMATES								
1992-93 – January	870	889	1035	1083	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
February	881	904	1027	1078				
March	874	906	1006	1067				
April	855	897	978	1058				
May	832	883	953	1051				
June	816	871	939	1045				
1993-94 – July	812	866	935	1038				
August	814	862	934	1024				
September	813	851	929	1001				
October	802	831	920	974				
November	791	811	909	948				
December	784	798	900	929				
January	781	791	893	913				
February	780	790	889	905				
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND ESTIMATES								
1992-93 – February	1.3	1.7	-0.8	-0.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
March	-0.8	0.2	-2.0	-1.0				
April	-2.2	1.0	-2.8	-0.8				
May	-2.7	-1.6	-2.6	-0.7				
June	-1.9	-1.4	-1.5	-0.6				
1993-94 – July	-0.5	-0.6	-0.4	-0.7				
August	0.2	-0.5	-0.1	-1.3				
September	-0.1	-1.3	-0.5	-2.2				
October	-1.4	-2.4	-1.0	-2.7				
November	-1.4	-2.4	-1.2	-2.7				
December	-0.9	-1.6	-1.0	-2.0				
January	-0.4	-0.9	-0.8	-1.7				
February	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.9				

**BUILDING COMMENCEMENTS**  
South Australia

Period	Number of dwelling units				Alterations		Value (\$ million)		
	Houses		Private sector	Total	New residential building	and additions to residential buildings	Non-residential building		
	Private sector	Total					Private sector	Total	Total
ANNUAL									
1982-83	4,567	5,522	5,766	8,080	310.3	37.8	193.4	301.1	649.0
1983-84	7,666	8,642	9,854	12,200	506.4	49.5	190.3	341.7	897.6
1984-85	8,502	9,641	11,728	14,205	660.3	66.0	345.6	509.7	1,236.1
1985-86	6,334	7,267	8,805	10,705	558.5	80.9	430.7	602.4	1,241.7
1986-87	5,345	6,458	6,524	8,913	475.7	75.3	430.1	674.4	1,225.4
1987-88	5,664	6,388	6,709	8,443	472.9	92.2	527.2	718.8	1,283.9
1988-89	7,132	7,580	8,822	10,235	642.2	103.7	760.3	964.1	1,709.9
1989-90	6,734	7,174	9,412	10,936	718.2	111.6	669.6	934.2	1,764.0
1990-91	7,862	8,176	9,672	10,820	727.5	118.2	367.0	553.9	1,399.6
1991-92	8,036	8,344	9,608	10,671	727.2	125.1	344.5	607.8	1,460.2
1992-93	9,079	9,373	10,838	11,592	816.6	122.2	270.5	458.9	1,398.0
QUARTERLY									
1991-92 – December	1,965	2,042	2,386	2,733	183.3	33.2	81.9	118.9	335.6
March	1,955	2,053	2,361	2,590	174.8	30.7	67.1	132.6	338.0
June	2,110	2,169	2,421	2,622	182.6	32.4	123.0	234.1	449.2
1992-93 – September	2,293	2,353	2,581	2,795	190.0	27.9	64.9	113.9	331.9
December	2,325	2,356	2,802	2,907	206.4	32.2	56.5	148.2	386.9
March	2,136	2,204	2,704	2,910	203.4	23.9	37.8	88.1	315.5
June	2,369	2,504	2,795	3,024	216.3	38.2	46.3	108.4	363.0
1993-94 – September	2,611	2,776	2,987	3,254	238.4	30.9	42.6	75.3	344.5
December	2,329	2,388	2,667	2,793	205.3	35.9	60.5	104.3	345.5

**VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE DURING PERIOD**  
South Australia

Period	New residential building				Alterations		Non-residential building		Total building	
	Houses		Private sector	Total	Total	and additions to residential buildings	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total
	Private sector	Total								
ANNUAL (\$ million)										
1982-83	195.1	225.9	248.3	312.3	38.2	169.3	313.2	454.5	663.7	
1983-84	312.0	348.0	385.2	464.5	48.3	194.8	327.0	627.0	839.8	
1984-85	414.4	456.3	542.3	626.7	65.6	285.1	433.4	891.6	1,125.7	
1985-86	369.2	411.5	497.9	585.1	78.7	413.6	589.7	988.5	1,253.4	
1986-87	310.0	364.8	385.4	492.2	78.4	447.9	645.2	908.1	1,215.8	
1987-88	343.8	381.1	391.4	467.7	88.2	551.8	811.2	1,027.0	1,367.1	
1988-89	450.2	469.2	538.8	597.0	104.1	657.5	902.2	1,297.3	1,603.3	
1989-90	493.8	518.9	657.4	724.9	116.3	743.2	988.6	1,514.0	1,829.8	
1990-91	578.3	600.2	713.6	782.3	122.0	621.9	876.6	1,455.4	1,780.8	
1991-92	591.5	607.5	693.4	748.5	125.1	310.3	484.1	1,127.5	1,357.6	
1992-93	648.8	662.2	745.2	781.6	127.3	297.5	570.5	1,166.6	1,479.3	
QUARTERLY (\$ million)										
1991-92 – December	146.7	151.0	174.0	189.1	32.6	77.7	120.9	283.9	342.6	
March	142.6	146.5	169.5	182.8	28.3	78.9	114.3	276.6	325.4	
June	156.9	161.2	175.7	189.5	34.7	70.9	120.5	280.8	344.7	
1992-93 – September	157.5	160.8	174.6	184.7	30.9	88.1	147.2	293.5	362.8	
December	163.3	166.3	185.9	194.8	34.7	91.5	171.4	312.1	400.9	
March	155.0	157.7	182.7	189.4	25.6	56.0	111.3	264.1	326.3	
June	171.3	176.6	200.6	211.8	35.9	62.3	140.9	296.6	388.7	
1993-94 – September	197.3	203.8	224.0	235.7	32.3	59.7	134.7	315.9	402.8	
December	178.5	187.3	207.6	222.1	36.5	54.3	117.8	298.4	376.5	

**PRODUCTION, SELECTED COMMODITIES**  
**South Australia**

Period	Footwear (pairs)	Ready-mixed concrete (m <sup>3</sup> )	Electricity (including NT) ('000 kWh)	Coal (tonnes)	Sawn timber(a) (m <sup>3</sup> )
ANNUAL					
1982-83	1,794,953	833,576	8,905,005	1,434,854	320,019
1983-84	1,975,840	976,127	8,735,184	1,177,345	275,365
1984-85	2,053,113	1,090,021	9,283,122	1,750,885	230,680
1985-86	2,209,898	1,092,344	9,606,839	2,181,713	221,803
1986-87	2,147,468	954,349	9,666,694	2,435,010	194,458
1987-88	1,982,301	1,004,040	10,137,144	2,566,347	254,453
1988-89	2,062,085	1,129,389	10,588,847	2,674,215	292,335
1989-90	1,749,112	1,116,940	10,665,118	2,921,861	228,156
1990-91	1,837,602	951,472	8,878,357	2,441,040	240,193
1991-92	1,834,835	856,080	10,025,649	2,819,880	271,603
1992-93	1,406,434	936,039	10,226,734	2,753,610	317,096
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR					
1983-84	10.1	17.1	-1.9	-17.9	-14.0
1984-85	3.9	11.7	6.3	48.7	-16.2
1985-86	7.6	0.2	3.5	24.6	-3.8
1986-87	-2.8	-12.6	0.6	11.6	-12.3
1987-88	-7.7	5.2	4.9	5.4	30.9
1988-89	4.0	11.9	4.5	4.2	14.9
1989-90	-15.2	-0.6	0.7	9.3	-22.0
1990-91	5.1	-14.8	-16.8	-16.5	5.3
1991-92	-0.2	-10.0	12.9	15.5	13.1
1992-93	-23.3	9.3	2.0	-2.4	16.7
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY(b), ORIGINAL					
1992-93 –					
December	100,241	81,638	811,341	254,850	83,612
January	50,837	70,294	737,756	225,840	..
February	103,780	75,502	805,976	229,560	..
March	128,261	92,530	829,563	237,600	78,717
April	86,062	78,430	808,408	249,060	..
May	104,623	82,506	833,809	249,600	..
June	123,169	79,147	886,020	220,620	86,084
1993-94 –					
July	115,467	80,594	964,812	268,500	..
August	120,921	80,062	929,952	210,060	..
September	143,199	80,364	863,810	144,000	79,334
October	123,847	74,022	847,992	105,420	..
November	127,479	80,947	944,263	201,660	..
December	108,368	76,585	874,827	258,420	97,033
January	n.y.a.	60,060	906,025	258,000	..
February	n.y.a.	79,896	820,049	191,940	..
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY(b), SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
1992-93 –					
December	n.a.	83,222	842,533	n.a.	83,128
January		100,338	754,546	..	..
February		77,986	834,957	..	..
March		79,618	830,855	..	90,716
April		82,488	907,479	..	..
May		75,971	834,428	..	..
June		80,490	829,158	..	82,224
1993-94 –					
July		79,983	876,609	..	..
August		82,389	844,823	..	..
September		77,770	872,486	..	73,502
October		72,676	870,614	..	..
November		72,849	981,847	..	..
December		76,452	907,087	..	96,381
January		84,298	931,854	..	..
February		82,670	848,568	..	..
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH/QUARTER(b), SEASONALLY ADJUSTED					
1992-93 –					
January	n.a.	20.6	-10.4	n.a.	..
February		-22.3	10.7	..	..
March		2.1	-0.5	..	9.1
April		3.6	9.2	..	..
May		-7.9	-8.0	..	..
June		5.9	-0.6	..	-9.4
1993-94 –					
July		-0.6	5.7	..	..
August		3.0	-3.6	..	..
September		-5.6	3.3	..	-10.6
October		-6.6	-0.2	..	..
November		0.2	12.8	..	..
December		4.9	-7.6	..	..
January		10.3	2.7	..	..
February		-1.9	-8.9	..	..

(a) From Australian softwood logs only.

(b) Sawn timber production data available quarterly only.

**PRODUCTION, LIVESTOCK AND SELECTED COMMODITIES**  
**South Australia**

Period	Chicken	Pigmeat	Beef	Mutton	Lamb	Cheese	Wheat flour, other than self-raising
ANNUAL (tonnes)							
1982-83	31,213	34,302	102,058	43,422	32,525	19,975	71,757
1983-84	33,549	34,740	81,172	23,758	31,114	25,226	78,690
1984-85	35,882	36,508	79,111	35,800	30,136	23,273	74,643
1985-86	34,235	37,432	77,898	41,507	31,485	25,086	73,926
1986-87	33,776	40,761	90,283	43,934	32,416	27,438	80,310
1987-88	34,907	36,671	91,701	45,562	34,335	25,497	91,325
1988-89	32,946	40,364	87,160	42,159	36,203	24,704	96,418
1989-90	35,248	40,815	99,699	50,939	38,052	22,774	88,503
1990-91	31,945	38,644	87,036	65,434	32,038	24,522	83,727
1991-92	36,978	34,538	90,661	72,578	29,941	23,494	81,065
1992-93	38,619	38,153	96,338	65,689	39,334	25,864	87,761
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR							
1983-84	7.5	1.3	-20.5	-45.3	-4.3	26.3	9.7
1984-85	7.0	5.1	-2.5	50.7	-3.1	-7.7	-5.1
1985-86	-4.6	2.5	-1.5	15.9	4.5	7.8	-1.0
1986-87	-1.3	8.9	15.9	5.8	3.0	9.4	8.6
1987-88	3.3	-10.0	1.6	3.7	5.9	-7.1	13.7
1988-89	-5.6	10.1	-5.0	-7.5	5.4	-3.1	5.6
1989-90	7.0	1.1	14.4	20.8	5.1	-7.8	-8.2
1990-91	-9.4	-5.3	-12.7	28.5	-15.8	7.7	-5.4
1991-92	15.8	-10.6	4.2	10.9	-6.5	-4.2	-3.2
1992-93	4.4	10.5	6.3	-9.5	31.4	10.1	8.3
MONTHLY (tonnes)							
<b>1992-93 –</b>							
December	3,494	2,785	9,684	5,619	3,278	2,252	5,851
January	3,517	2,750	7,921	4,880	2,528	2,385	7,111
February	1,990	3,030	8,271	5,664	2,717	1,677	7,096
March	3,109	3,257	9,681	6,688	3,918	1,461	6,763
April	3,563	3,021	6,842	4,988	3,294	1,469	7,356
May	3,223	3,684	7,547	5,396	3,540	1,858	8,774
June	3,256	3,344	7,305	4,633	3,723	1,462	7,312
<b>1993-94 –</b>							
July	3,565	3,245	7,142	3,825	2,530	2,332	6,712
August	3,103	3,613	6,424	4,914	2,218	2,300	5,984
September	3,048	3,430	9,437	8,002	3,084	2,536	6,506
October	3,388	3,151	8,699	7,776	3,616	3,042	5,634
November	3,024	3,529	9,313	9,320	3,860	3,004	5,812
December	3,699	2,563	7,715	6,203	3,325	2,869	6,084
January	3,403	2,543	7,528	4,853	3,577	n.y.a.	6,414
February	3,170	3,058	7,955	5,939	4,253	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH							
<b>1992-93 –</b>							
January	0.7	-1.3	-18.2	-13.2	-22.9	5.9	21.5
February	-43.4	10.2	4.4	16.1	7.5	-29.7	-0.2
March	56.2	7.5	17.1	18.1	44.2	-12.9	-4.7
April	14.6	-7.2	-29.3	-25.4	-15.9	0.5	8.8
May	-9.5	21.9	10.3	8.2	7.5	26.5	19.3
June	1.0	-9.2	-3.2	-14.1	5.2	-21.3	-16.7
<b>1993-94 –</b>							
July	9.5	-3.0	-2.2	-17.4	-32.0	59.5	-8.2
August	-13.0	11.3	-10.1	28.5	-12.3	-1.4	-10.8
September	-1.8	-5.1	46.9	62.8	39.0	10.3	8.7
October	11.2	-8.1	-7.8	-2.8	17.3	20.0	-13.4
November	-10.7	12.0	7.1	19.9	6.7	-1.2	3.2
December	22.3	-27.4	-17.2	-33.4	-13.9	-4.7	4.7
January	-8.0	-0.8	-2.4	-21.8	7.6	n.y.a.	5.4
February	-6.8	20.3	5.7	22.4	18.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: BY GROUP  
Adelaide**

Period	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education	All groups
ANNUAL AVERAGE (1989-90 = 100.0)									
1982-83	63.0	60.8	56.0	64.0	58.8	54.3	76.0	62.3	61.4
1983-84	67.4	64.1	61.8	69.0	64.3	61.6	71.5	66.1	65.8
1984-85	71.2	68.4	68.3	73.2	68.3	67.2	57.8	68.9	68.9
1985-86	77.0	74.0	73.4	78.9	74.8	72.7	63.2	74.9	74.7
1986-87	83.2	81.8	76.9	84.3	83.0	79.4	75.6	82.1	81.5
1987-88	87.6	88.2	79.5	89.9	88.6	85.7	84.0	89.6	87.0
1988-89	95.2	95.3	87.0	95.1	94.2	92.5	90.8	94.6	93.3
1989-90	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1990-91	103.8	103.6	104.1	105.4	107.0	112.0	113.4	104.8	106.2
1991-92	106.0	105.3	100.4	107.5	110.5	118.6	127.8	107.7	108.9
1992-93	109.3	107.0	94.3	107.6	115.0	131.2	134.9	110.7	111.2
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR, ANNUAL AVERAGE									
1983-84	7.0	5.4	10.4	7.8	9.4	13.4	-5.9	6.1	7.2
1984-85	5.6	6.7	10.5	6.1	6.2	9.1	-19.2	4.2	4.7
1985-86	8.1	8.2	7.5	7.8	9.5	8.2	9.3	8.7	8.4
1986-87	8.1	10.5	4.8	6.8	11.0	9.2	19.6	9.6	9.1
1987-88	5.3	7.8	3.4	6.6	6.7	7.9	11.1	9.1	6.7
1988-89	8.7	8.0	9.4	5.8	6.3	7.9	8.1	5.6	7.2
1989-90	5.0	4.9	14.9	5.2	6.2	8.1	10.1	5.7	7.2
1990-91	3.8	3.6	4.1	5.4	7.0	12.0	13.4	4.8	6.2
1991-92	2.1	1.6	-3.6	2.0	3.3	5.9	12.7	2.8	2.5
1992-93	3.1	1.6	-6.1	0.1	4.1	10.6	5.6	2.8	2.1
QUARTERLY (1989-90 = 100.0)									
1991-92 – December	105.9	104.9	102.3	107.6	110.5	118.1	124.2	106.8	108.8
March	106.4	105.2	99.8	107.3	110.9	119.2	134.1	108.8	109.5
June	106.9	106.1	97.3	108.1	111.2	119.6	131.6	108.9	109.4
1992-93 – September	107.3	106.0	95.4	108.1	113.7	126.5	131.5	108.9	110.1
December	108.1	107.2	94.0	108.1	115.1	130.4	132.2	109.9	110.7
March	111.3	107.2	94.0	106.7	114.9	131.3	136.8	111.7	111.6
June	110.4	107.6	93.8	107.3	116.1	136.4	138.9	112.3	112.3
1993-94 – September	110.4	107.5	93.3	107.5	117.3	138.8	138.7	112.8	112.7
December	111.3	107.1	91.6	108.2	117.6	140.0	138.4	113.0	112.8
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR									
1991-92 – December	2.0	1.4	-2.8	2.0	-0.6	5.6	15.6	1.6	1.8
March	1.7	1.3	-3.9	1.6	4.1	4.8	20.8	2.8	2.6
June	1.9	1.2	-6.2	1.2	5.0	2.4	10.6	3.7	2.0
1992-93 – September	2.3	0.9	-6.7	0.9	4.1	7.8	8.5	2.5	1.9
December	2.1	2.2	-8.1	0.5	4.2	10.4	6.4	2.9	1.7
March	4.6	1.9	-5.8	-0.6	3.6	10.2	2.0	2.7	1.9
June	3.3	1.4	-3.6	-0.7	4.4	14.0	5.5	3.1	2.7
1993-94 – September	2.9	1.4	-2.2	-0.6	3.2	9.7	5.5	3.6	2.4
December	3.0	-0.1	-2.6	0.1	2.2	7.4	4.7	2.8	1.9
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER									
1991-92 – March	0.5	0.3	-2.4	-0.3	0.4	0.9	8.0	1.9	0.6
June	0.5	0.9	-2.5	0.7	0.3	0.3	-1.9	0.1	-0.1
1992-93 – September	0.4	-0.1	-2.0	0.0	2.2	5.8	-0.1	0.0	0.6
December	0.7	1.1	-1.5	0.0	1.2	3.1	0.5	0.9	0.5
March	3.0	0.0	0.0	-1.3	-0.2	0.7	3.5	1.6	0.8
June	-0.8	0.4	-0.2	0.6	1.0	3.9	1.5	0.5	0.6
1993-94 – September	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	0.2	1.0	1.8	-0.1	0.4	0.4
December	0.8	-0.4	-1.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	-0.2	0.2	0.1

**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED CONSUMER ITEMS, ADELAIDE**  
**(Cents)**

Item	Unit	Quarter					
		Sept. 1992	Dec. 1992	Mar. 1993	June 1993	Sept. 1993	Dec. 1993
Milk, carton, supermarket sales	1 litre	86	86	89	90	91	95
Cheese, processed, sliced, wrapped	500g	356	344	356	359	333	337
Butter	500g	167	156	147	148	151	161
Bread, white loaf, sliced, supermarket sales	680g	119	114	116	125	117	122
Self-raising flour	2kg	218	198	192	197	202	188
Beef:	Rump steak	1kg	1,079	1,063	1,041	1,084	1,069
	Corned silverside	1kg	616	632	633	621	630
Lamb:	Leg	1kg	462	461	475	464	520
	Loin chops	1kg	555	584	648	640	694
	Forequarter chops	1kg	417	436	475	472	511
Pork:	Leg	1kg	586	603	610	582	585
	Loin chops	1kg	743	754	749	719	731
Chicken, frozen	1kg	307	318	301	323	318	330
Bacon, middle rashers	250g pkt	281	289	285	272	268	273
Sausages	1kg	354	367	360	364	363	365
Potatoes	1kg	69	95	68	83	71	72
Onions	1kg	82	118	138	152	192	215
Peaches, canned	825g	192	183	186	193	205	196
Eggs, 55g	doz	190	191	183	180	182	180
Sugar, white	2kg	168	153	164	164	206	193
Tea	250g	158	156	150	154	158	169
Coffee, instant, jar	150g	403	409	397	399	398	397
Margarine, polyunsaturated	500g	136	144	137	143	133	142
Petrol, super grade	1 litre	68.8	71.1	69.1	70.4	70.0	70.2

**ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE**  
**South Australia**

Period	Live births	Deaths	Components of Population Change			Total increase	Population at end of period
			Natural increase	Net migration Interstate	Overseas (a)		
ANNUAL ('000)							
1982-83	19,445	10,339	9,106	-328	6,417	14,667	1,345,775
1983-84	20,118	9,799	10,319	553	3,969	14,273	1,360,048
1984-85	19,901	10,204	9,697	-2,317	4,329	11,149	1,371,197
1985-86	19,657	10,427	9,230	-1,417	5,084	11,353	1,382,550
1986-87	19,628	10,577	9,051	-3,977	6,200	10,214	1,392,764
1987-88	19,288	10,799	8,489	-1,240	5,952	12,145	1,404,909
1988-89	19,445	10,781	8,664	-221	6,665	14,120	1,419,029
1989-90	19,573	11,320	8,253	-252	5,762	13,027	1,432,056
1990-91	19,841	11,074	8,767	1,545	4,619	14,243	1,446,299
1991-92	19,285	11,021	8,264	-817	2,678	10,125	1,456,424
1992-93	19,586	11,129	8,457	-4,975	1,815	5,297	1,461,721
MONTHLY/QUARTERLY ('000)							
1992-93 -							
January	1,871	1,208	..	..	..	..	..
February	1,381	848	..	..	..	..	..
March	1,749	871	2,059	-2,078	1,042	1,023	1,460,054
April	1,793	737	..	..	..	..	..
May	1,368	890	..	..	..	..	..
June	1,843	876	2,479	-850	38	1,667	1,461,721
1993-94 -							
July	1,563	1,106	..	..	..	..	..
August	1,800	1,183	..	..	..	..	..
September	1,792	869	1,981	-735	907	2,153	1,463,876
October	2,037	1,190	..	..	..	..	..
November	1,497	948	..	..	..	..	..
December	1,474	848	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
January	n.y.a.	845	..	..	..	..	..
February	n.y.a.	789	..	..	..	..	..
March	n.y.a.	1,021	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) Includes category jumping

(p) These figures are preliminary and subject to revision

## LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION: South Australia

Period	Labour force ('000)				Civilian population aged 15+	(%))		
	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Unemployed		Unemployment Rate Ages 15-19	All ages	Participation rate
ANNUAL AVERAGE								
1983-84	445.1	110.0	555.1	62.4	617.5	1,040.1	24.0	10.1
1984-85	457.0	117.7	574.7	58.5	633.2	1,057.7	22.1	9.2
1985-86	470.6	123.3	593.8	54.7	648.5	1,072.5	20.6	8.4
1986-87	474.1	132.0	606.1	60.1	666.2	1,087.2	22.1	9.0
1987-88	471.8	140.9	612.7	60.1	672.7	1,102.4	20.8	8.9
1988-89	492.8	145.7	638.4	54.9	693.4	1,117.3	17.7	7.9
1989-90	506.3	151.5	657.8	50.0	707.7	1,131.7	16.2	7.1
1990-91	500.7	160.2	660.8	64.0	724.9	1,146.2	19.2	8.8
1991-92	478.5	160.1	638.6	80.9	719.5	1,161.4	25.1	11.2
1992-93	476.3	167.6	643.9	83.4	727.3	1,171.1	26.6	11.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR, ANNUAL AVERAGE								
1984-85	2.7	7.0	3.5	-6.3	2.5	1.7	n.a.	n.a.
1985-86	3.0	4.8	3.3	-6.5	2.4	1.4		
1986-87	0.7	7.1	2.1	9.9	2.7	1.4		
1987-88	-0.5	6.7	1.1	0.0	1.0	1.4		
1988-89	4.5	3.4	4.2	-8.7	3.1	1.4		
1989-90	2.7	4.0	3.0	-8.9	2.1	1.3		
1990-91	-1.1	5.7	0.5	28.0	2.4	1.3		
1991-92	-4.4	-0.1	-3.4	26.4	-0.7	1.3		
1992-93	-0.5	4.7	0.8	3.1	1.1	0.8		
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL								
1992-93 –								
January	466.8	157.3	624.1	90.8	714.9	1,156.6	28.7	12.7
February	467.6	166.9	634.5	87.6	722.1	1,157.0	27.3	12.1
March	463.0	171.3	634.3	81.8	716.1	1,157.5	26.6	11.4
April	458.2	172.8	631.0	79.9	710.9	1,158.0	26.0	11.2
May	470.6	167.4	638.0	74.6	712.6	1,158.5	24.9	10.5
June	473.1	162.9	636.0	73.9	709.9	1,159.0	24.7	10.4
1993-94 –								
July	471.6	164.2	635.8	72.7	708.5	1,159.5	24.6	10.3
August	467.5	167.9	630.3	70.0	700.3	1,160.0	26.3	10.0
September	466.3	169.4	635.8	74.8	710.5	1,160.5	26.8	10.5
October	465.9	164.9	630.9	78.6	709.4	1,161.2	28.4	11.1
November	466.2	170.2	636.4	76.4	712.8	1,161.8	30.1	10.7
December	479.2	167.7	646.9	80.1	727.0	1,162.4	28.8	11.0
January	466.3	163.3	629.6	87.8	717.4	1,163.0	31.1	12.2
February	471.4	160.5	631.9	83.6	715.5	1,163.6	30.9	11.7
March	467.4	170.2	637.5	80.0	717.6	1,164.2	n.y.a.	11.2
MONTHLY, TREND ESTIMATES								
1992-93 –								
February	463.8	166.8	630.6	82.0	712.6	..	n.a.	11.5
March	464.6	166.8	631.4	80.7	712.1	..	11.3	61.5
April	466.4	166.5	632.9	79.0	711.9	..		11.1
May	468.6	166.0	634.6	77.4	711.9	..	10.9	61.5
June	470.2	165.4	635.6	76.1	711.7	..	10.7	61.4
1993-94 –								
July	470.7	165.4	636.1	75.4	711.5	..	10.6	61.4
August	470.2	166.0	636.2	75.6	711.8	..	10.6	61.4
September	468.9	167.2	636.1	76.4	712.5	..	10.7	61.4
October	467.7	168.1	635.8	77.6	713.4	..	10.9	61.4
November	467.2	168.4	635.6	78.5	714.2	..	11.0	61.5
December	467.3	168.2	635.5	79.1	714.5	..	11.1	61.5
January	467.3	167.7	635.0	79.2	714.2	..	11.1	61.4
February	467.3	167.1	634.4	79.2	713.6	..	11.1	61.3
March	467.2	166.5	633.7	78.9	712.6	..	11.1	61.2
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, TREND ESTIMATES								
1992-93 –								
April	0.4	-0.2	0.2	-2.1	0.0	..	..	..
May	0.5	-0.3	0.3	-2.0	0.0	..	..	..
June	0.3	-0.4	0.2	-1.7	0.0	..	..	..
1993-94 –								
July	0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.9	0.0	..	..	..
August	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.0	..	..	..
September	-0.3	1.4	0.0	1.1	0.1	..	..	..
October	-0.3	0.9	0.0	1.6	0.1	..	..	..
November	-0.1	0.4	0.0	1.2	0.1	..	..	..
December	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.8	0.0	..	..	..
January	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0	..	..	..
February	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	..	..	..
March	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1	..	..	..

**AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES**  
**South Australia**

Period	<i>Full-time adults</i>						<i>All employees</i>		
	<i>Ordinary time earnings</i>			<i>Total earnings</i>					
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
ANNUAL AVERAGE (\$ per week)									
1982-83	336.8	275.3	319.2	347.2	278.6	327.4	315.9	198.5	268.7
1983-84	358.3	294.5	339.9	377.6	300.2	355.2	346.6	218.3	294.0
1984-85	381.9	319.3	364.8	407.4	325.8	385.1	367.2	238.7	316.2
1985-86	406.3	340.5	388.3	431.8	346.6	408.4	389.0	252.7	334.5
1986-87	431.8	363.7	412.2	455.9	370.2	431.2	411.8	268.9	352.2
1987-88	458.6	389.7	438.4	485.0	397.0	459.2	440.1	295.1	379.6
1988-89	481.5	424.3	465.7	517.6	435.1	494.9	473.4	315.1	408.5
1989-90	517.5	454.9	499.4	560.7	466.5	533.5	511.6	338.0	437.8
1990-91	561.3	486.1	537.9	598.9	496.1	566.9	546.7	358.1	462.0
1991-92	588.4	524.1	567.8	624.9	534.0	595.8	564.8	386.9	483.7
1992-93	610.1	534.9	585.4	646.4	546.8	613.7	560.0	382.6	477.4
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR									
1983-84	6.4	7.0	6.5	8.8	7.8	8.5	9.7	10.0	9.4
1984-85	6.6	8.4	7.3	7.9	8.5	8.4	5.9	9.3	7.6
1985-86	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.0	6.4	6.1	5.9	5.9	5.8
1986-87	6.3	6.8	6.2	5.6	6.8	5.6	5.9	6.4	5.3
1987-88	6.2	7.1	6.4	6.4	7.2	6.5	6.9	9.7	7.8
1988-89	5.0	8.9	6.2	6.7	9.6	7.8	7.6	6.8	7.6
1989-90	7.5	7.2	7.2	8.3	7.2	7.8	8.1	7.3	7.2
1990-91	8.5	6.9	7.7	6.8	6.3	6.3	6.9	5.9	5.5
1991-92	4.8	7.8	5.6	4.3	7.6	5.1	3.3	8.0	4.7
1992-93	3.7	2.1	3.1	3.4	2.4	3.0	-0.8	-1.1	-1.3
QUARTERLY (\$ per week)									
<i>1991-92 –</i>									
15 November	587.1	519.8	565.8	626.0	531.2	596.0	565.9	381.9	481.7
21 February 92	592.7	537.3	575.1	632.6	546.4	605.2	574.9	401.1	497.2
15 May	604.1	529.0	579.4	637.4	538.8	604.9	575.5	395.3	493.3
<i>1992-93 –</i>									
21 August	609.8	529.7	582.6	644.4	542.3	609.8	567.7	386.3	477.3
20 November	610.3	532.8	585.0	647.6	543.9	613.7	547.1	377.0	469.9
19 February 93	610.1	533.3	584.8	648.5	543.9	614.1	559.5	381.6	477.7
20 May	610.0	543.7	589.0	645.1	557.1	617.2	565.5	385.3	484.5
<i>1993-94 –</i>									
20 August	631.0	546.9	603.3	673.3	559.5	635.8	599.7	394.2	503.1
19 November	626.5	543.2	599.4	667.1	554.9	630.7	583.5	386.7	492.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING REFERENCE DATE IN PREVIOUS YEAR									
<i>1991-92 –</i>									
15 November	4.7	7.4	5.3	4.5	7.5	5.1	3.1	5.2	2.9
21 February 92	3.7	9.2	5.3	4.3	9.0	5.6	3.5	11.7	6.8
15 May	6.6	5.4	6.0	6.2	5.3	5.7	5.7	9.8	7.4
<i>1992-93 –</i>									
21 August	7.0	3.8	5.8	6.8	4.4	5.7	4.6	4.7	3.2
20 November	4.0	2.5	3.4	3.5	2.4	3.0	-3.3	-1.3	-2.4
19 February 93	2.9	-0.7	1.7	2.5	-0.5	1.5	-2.7	-4.9	-3.9
20 May	1.0	2.8	1.7	1.2	3.4	2.0	-1.7	-2.5	-1.8
<i>1993-94 –</i>									
20 August	3.5	3.2	3.6	4.5	3.2	4.3	5.6	2.0	5.4
19 November	2.7	2.0	2.5	3.0	2.0	2.8	6.7	2.6	4.8
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS REFERENCE DATE									
<i>1991-92 –</i>									
21 February 92	1.0	3.4	1.6	1.1	2.9	1.5	1.6	5.0	3.2
15 May	1.9	-1.5	0.7	0.8	-1.4	0.0	0.1	-1.4	-0.8
<i>1992-93 –</i>									
21 August	0.9	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.8	-1.4	-2.3	-3.2
20 November	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.6	-3.6	-2.4	-1.6
19 February 93	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	2.3	1.2	1.7
20 May	0.0	2.0	0.7	-0.5	2.4	0.5	1.1	1.0	1.4
<i>1993-94 –</i>									
20 August	3.4	0.6	2.4	4.4	0.4	3.0	6.0	2.3	3.8
19 November	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6	-0.9	-0.8	-0.8	-2.7	-1.9	-2.1

**TOURIST ACCOMMODATION**  
**South Australia**

Period	Hotels, motels and guest houses with facilities			Holiday flats, units and houses			Short-term caravan parks		
	Number of guest rooms	Room occupancy (per cent)	Takings (\$'000)	Number of flats, units and houses	Unit occupancy (per cent)	Takings (\$'000)	Number of sites	Site occupancy (per cent)	Takings (\$'000)
ANNUAL									
1985-86	8,182	55.1	71,919	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	19,409	18.4	11,017
1986-87	8,497	52.9	79,254	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	18,773	18.1	12,647
1987-88	9,156	50.8	89,321	1,105	45.4	8,109	18,926	17.8	13,248
1988-89	9,396	50.5	102,737	1,171	45.8	9,792	19,195	17.4	14,711
1989-90	10,316	52.0	121,788	1,113	48.4	11,381	19,847	18.4	17,174
1990-91	10,445	48.0	128,634	1,210	43.9	10,339	19,794	17.7	18,102
1991-92	10,745	46.6	130,578	1,302	40.4	10,492	20,601	17.1	19,111
1992-93	10,632	46.5	129,882	1,338	40.2	10,740	20,038	22.3	20,113
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR									
1986-87	3.8	n.a.	10.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	-3.3	n.a.	14.8
1987-88	7.8		12.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	0.8		4.8
1988-89	2.6		15.0	6.0		20.8	1.4		11.0
1989-90	9.8		18.5	-5.0		16.2	3.4		16.7
1990-91	1.3		5.6	8.7		-9.2	-0.3		5.4
1991-92	2.9		1.5	7.6		1.5	4.1		5.6
1992-93	-1.1		-0.5	2.8		2.4	-2.7		5.2
QUARTERLY									
1991-92 – December	10,700	47.0	35,431	1,301	39.2	2,803	20,540	16.8	4,799
March	10,709	47.7	32,908	1,309	48.7	3,239	20,675	22.2	6,164
June	10,745	45.9	31,003	1,302	37.0	2,280	20,601	16.1	4,405
1992-93 – September	10,743	45.1	30,435	1,279	34.0	2,213	20,661	17.8	3,901
December	10,763	47.8	36,063	1,323	40.0	2,905	20,462	22.1	5,167
March	10,739	47.0	32,210	1,313	49.9	3,263	20,159	26.6	6,084
June	10,632	46.2	31,175	1,338	36.8	2,359	20,038	22.8	4,961
1993-94 – September	10,604	46.8	33,133	1,362	35.2	2,551	19,992	19.1	3,916
December	10,650	50.3	38,096	1,377	41.6	3,290	19,925	23.4	5,370
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER									
1991-92 – March	0.1	..	-7.1	0.6	..	15.6	0.7	..	28.4
June	0.3		-5.8	-0.5		-29.6	-0.4		-28.5
1992-93 – September	0.0		-1.8	-1.8		-2.9	0.3		-11.4
December	0.2		18.5	3.4		31.3	-1.0		32.5
March	-0.2		-10.7	-0.8		12.3	-1.5		17.7
June	-1.0		-3.2	1.9		-27.7	-0.6		-18.5
1993-94 – September	-0.3		6.3	1.8		8.1	-0.2		-21.1
December	0.4		15.0	1.1		29.0	-0.3		37.1

(a) From September quarter 1992, caravan park sites etc permanently reserved but only casually occupied by their tenants have been recorded continuously as site nights occupied irrespective of whether the tenants of individual sites were in residence on any particular night. Therefore occupancy measures from that quarter are not comparable with those from previous quarters.

**FINANCE COMMITMENTS**  
South Australia

Period	<i>Secured housing finance commitments to individuals</i>					
	<i>Construction and purchase of dwellings</i>		<i>Alterations and additions</i>	<i>Personal finance commitments</i>	<i>Commercial finance commitments</i>	<i>Lease finance commitments</i>
	<i>Number of dwelling units</i>	<i>Amount (\$ million)</i>	<i>(\$ million)</i>	<i>(\$ million)</i>	<i>(\$ million)</i>	<i>(\$ million)</i>
ANNUAL						
1982-83	20,318	565.0	30.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1983-84	27,968	894.0	45.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1984-85	28,484	1,127.6	48.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1985-86	21,714	920.1	48.9	1,203.9	3,492.7	339.8
1986-87	21,658	965.5	47.1	1,222.4	4,242.8	334.5
1987-88	26,582	1,266.6	47.0	1,448.9	6,486.6	392.1
1988-89	29,977	1,574.2	51.4	1,534.1	7,285.5	512.4
1989-90	25,650	1,438.2	45.8	1,525.7	6,926.4	445.4
1990-91	28,694	1,731.3	58.8	1,503.6	6,257.0	323.2
1991-92	31,765	2,083.8	88.8	1,456.7	6,666.4	256.2
1992-93	36,960	2,569.5	102.8	1,656.8	5,122.4	249.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR						
1983-84	37.7	58.2	47.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1984-85	1.8	26.1	6.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1985-86	-23.8	-18.4	1.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1986-87	-0.3	4.9	-3.7	1.5	21.5	-1.6
1987-88	22.7	31.2	-0.2	18.5	52.9	17.2
1988-89	12.8	24.3	9.4	5.9	12.3	30.7
1989-90	-14.4	-8.6	-10.9	-0.5	-4.9	-13.1
1990-91	11.9	20.4	28.4	-1.4	-9.7	-27.4
1991-92	10.7	20.4	51.0	-3.1	6.5	-20.7
1992-93	16.4	23.3	15.8	13.7	-23.2	-2.6
MONTHLY						
1992-93 – December	3,050	214.3	7.4	133.1	374.8	27.1
January	2,718	192.6	8.0	117.3	275.0	14.1
February	2,803	196.4	8.1	121.6	259.3	16.1
March	3,483	249.1	10.8	150.8	462.3	20.0
April	3,058	215.5	10.2	132.6	347.1	16.3
May	3,328	232.9	9.0	135.3	465.8	22.2
June	3,746	264.0	10.1	164.6	830.3	26.5
1993-94						
July	3,722	264.0	12.2	138.8	434.0	22.9
August	3,646	256.5	15.4	155.2	428.1	20.3
September	3,825	270.0	14.6	150.3	407.2	25.3
October	3,411	244.6	13.3	135.9	395.2	17.5
November	3,609	253.3	14.0	146.7	456.9	17.3
December	4,089	287.4	19.3	161.0	392.5	17.2
January	3,362	227.6	18.3	151.9	343.9	12.0
February	4,200	302.3	19.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH						
1992-93 – January	-10.9	-10.1	9.5	-11.9	-26.6	-48.0
February	3.1	1.9	0.0	3.7	-5.7	14.6
March	24.3	26.8	34.0	24.0	78.3	23.9
April	-12.2	-13.5	-5.5	-12.1	-24.9	-18.7
May	8.8	8.1	-11.6	2.1	34.2	36.4
June	12.6	13.3	12.3	21.6	78.3	19.2
1993-94						
July	-0.6	0.0	20.9	-15.6	-47.7	-13.3
August	-2.0	-2.8	25.8	11.8	-1.4	-11.4
September	4.9	5.3	-5.3	-3.1	-4.9	24.6
October	-10.8	-9.4	-9.0	-9.6	-2.9	-30.9
November	5.8	3.6	6.0	8.0	15.6	-0.8
December	13.3	13.4	37.7	9.7	-14.1	-1.0
January	-17.8	-20.8	-5.2	-5.7	-12.4	-30.3
February	24.9	32.8	8.6	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

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